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Fierce fighting erupts in Lebanon

TRIPOLI, Lebanon, Feb. 20 (R) — Fierce fighting shook the north Lebanese port of Tripoli Saturday for the second day running and hospital sources said four persons had been killed and at least five wounded.

Representatives of the Syrian peacekeeping force in Lebanon, and of the nationalist and Palestinian groups operating in the city, announced Saturday morning that they had worked out a ceasefire. But fighting raged unabated after the ceasefire was due to take effect at 1130 GMT.

Machinegun fire and explosions echoed across the city, Lebanon's second largest, from the old quarters clustered around the River Abu Ali where the clashes appeared to be concentrated. The independent daily newspaper *Al-Nahar* reported that the fighting began Friday afternoon after two artillery shells landed in the Bah Al-Tubaneh district, one of the old quarters, wounding a woman and a child. It said that in the early evening, armed men attacked positions manned by Syrian peacekeeping troops in two parts of the city.

Fighting later spread to other areas, including one where Syrian armored units were stationed, the newspaper reported. Hospital sources said that during the fighting Saturday a shell landed on a government hospital and wounded a Lebanese army doctor. Shops stayed shut and the streets were deserted even in areas some distance from the fighting. On a street corner outside the local governor's office, Syrian troops reinforced their post with fresh sandbags.

Tension has been high in Tripoli all this week. There were clashes Wednesday but it was not clear exactly how they originated. A communiqué issued at the time by the Syrian peacekeeping force said its men had intervened to stop clashes which had started for "local reasons." It gave no details and did not identify the groups involved.

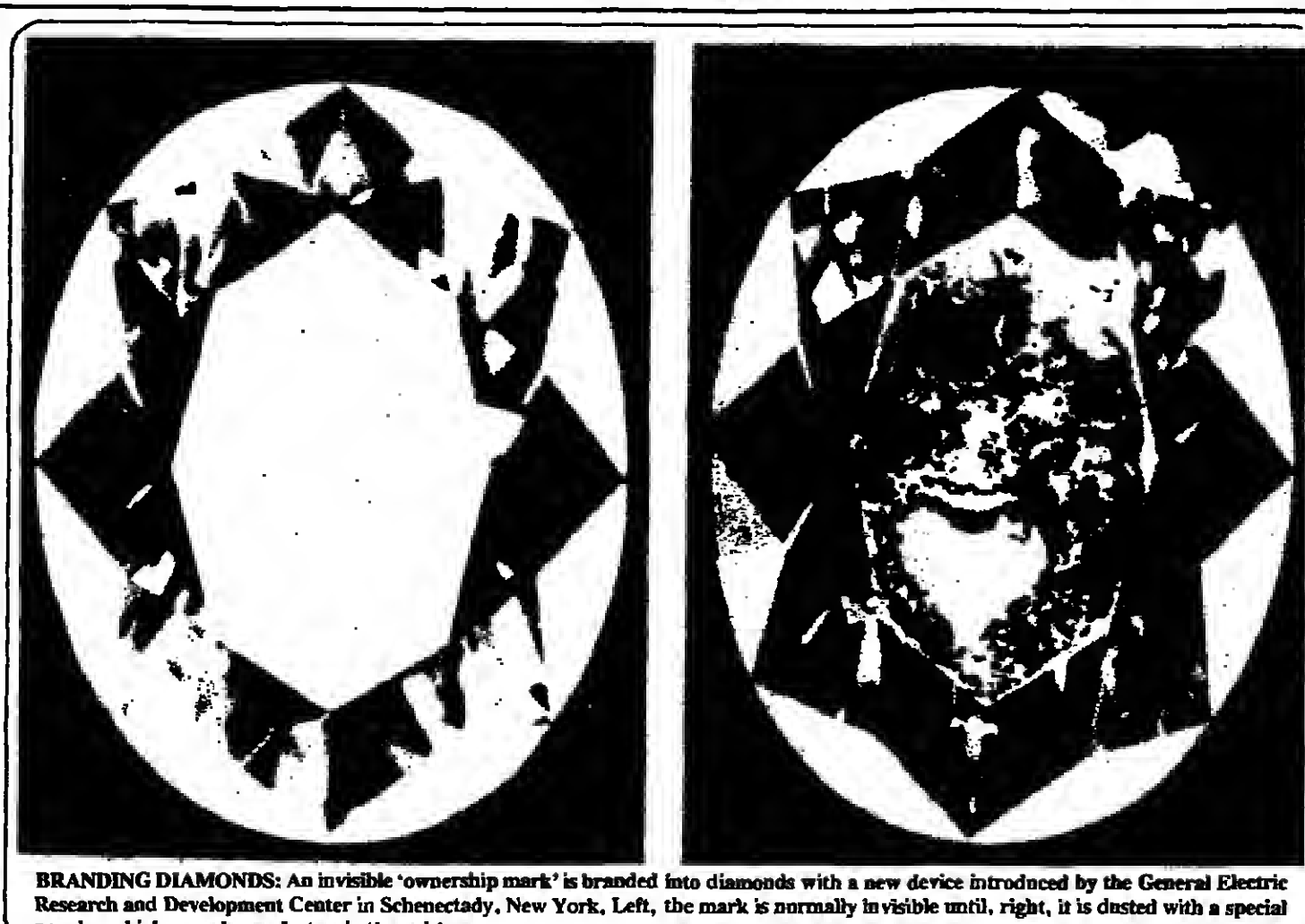
Deng reported stepping down

TOKYO, Feb. 20 (AFP) — Powerful Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping will step down from the post of party chairman this year to initiate a campaign urging elder statesmen to make way for younger leaders, the Japanese news agency Kyodo reported Saturday.

Kyodo, quoting "reliable Chinese sources" said the decision was made known by party chairman Hu Yaobang in an address to a meeting of the Communist Youth League of China, a Communist party subordinate body, in January. Deng's resignation from the party-vice-chairmanship was to be announced at a party congress later this year, for which no statesmen over the age of 70 would be re-elected, Chairman Hu was quoted as saying at the meeting.

"State affairs can be run smoothly by appointing our comrades under the age of 70 to relatively important party and government posts," Hu reportedly told the meeting, according to Kyodo from Peking.

Four party vice chairmen are over the age of 70 — Deng, Ye Jianying, 83, Li Xiannian, 76, and Chen Yu, 76.



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Probe into leakage ordered

Let down by 'my loyal staff', Haig laments

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20 (AP) — U.S. Secretary of State Alexander M. Haig Friday blamed "my loyal staff" in connection with the leaking of alleged notes which quote him as predicting that Egypt may turn its back on Israel.

The State Department, meanwhile, launched an investigation to find who was responsible for leaking the notes. If accurate, they are sure to embarrass Haig, even though they reflect views he was widely known to have held. "Egypt will go back to (the) Arab world with (the) United States isolated as Israel's sole defender," Haig is alleged to have confided in private meetings with his staff, according to an account in *The Washington Post* Friday.

In the account of his private staff meetings, Haig was said to have called British Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington a "duplicitous bastard" and criticized members of President Ronald Reagan's staff, although not Reagan himself. Haig appeared to acknowledge indirectly the authenticity of at least some of the contents of the notes, which were said to have been taken by a participant at meetings between Haig and key members of his staff over the past year.



Haig...tight-lipped now

"Henry Kissinger had his Oriana Fallaci and I have my loyal staff," Haig told reporters at a news conference in Bal Harbor, Ms. Fallaci, an Italian journalist, once conducted a candid interview with Kissinger that embarrassed the former secretary of state when it was published. Kissinger confided things he later said he regretted. But Haig declined to comment on any specific points of the notes and appeared to question whether the quotations were accurate.

"I'm not going to comment in any way on an alleged compendium expanded over a period since March of last year over an extensive period of deliberation," Haig told reporters.

The excerpts said that on Oct. 15, after Great Britain claimed that Saudi Arabia was exerting pressure to prevent it from joining a proposed Sinai multi-national peace-keeping force, Haig made his unkind comment about Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington. "European friends — just plain cowardly. British lying through their teeth on MFO (Multinational Force and Observers). Saudis never pressured British and Europeans on MFO," Haig was quoted as saying.

Meanwhile, the British Foreign Office, politicians and newspapers maintained a dignified cool over Haig's alleged remarks on Lord Carrington.

Only the *London Times* and two others of the 10 national circulation newspapers published in London Saturday printed reports of the alleged remark on their front pages, while a Foreign Office spokesman refused direct comment on *The Washington Post* story. She said relations between Haig and Carrington "reflect the excellent relations between the United States and Britain."

The Times said in its report: "The notes are likely to cause intense embarrassment in both political and diplomatic circles. They show a forceful, candid and sometimes crude secretary of state." Only one newspaper, the *Liberal Guardian*, considered the matter worthy of an editorial. It said Haig's "locker room diatribes" showed he felt beleaguered and indicated the "inward and endemic" confusion of American foreign policy.

Haughey, Fitzgerald stake claim Majority eludes Irish parties anew

DUBLIN, Feb. 20 (R) — The Irish Republic's general election appears to have produced another hung parliament.

Prime Minister Garrett Fitzgerald and opposition leader Charles Haughey both said Saturday that they would try to form a government. The ruling coalition and the opposition each accepted that neither had won an overall majority in Thursday's election.

With all but a handful of results declared, Haughey told reporters: "I am certain that I will form the next government," but added he would need the support of independent and small party deputies.

A spokesman for the Fine Gael Party of Prime Minister Fitzgerald said: "We will be holding talks with a view to forming a new government." Computer forecasts said Haughey's Fianna Fail Party would finish with more seats than Fine Gael and its Labor partners combined, but would be two or three short of the 84 needed for an overall majority.

Several independents, five of them Socialists, will hold the balance of power when the new parliament assembles to choose a prime minister March 9, according to the forecast.

It was Ireland's second indecisive in eight months. Last June, Haughey lost power in an equally narrow fight and Fitzgerald won the support of the independents for his minority coalition. The Fitzgerald government fell last month when the independent's deserted in a crucial vote on his tough budget proposals.

The results of this week's election show voters dealt a sharp rebuff to an attempt by hardline Republicans to prove support for the guerrilla war to end British rule in Northern Ireland. Seven candidates from the political arm of the outlawed Irish Republican Army (IRA) all polled badly, as did seven more from the smaller Irish Republican Socialist Party.

Northern Ireland civil rights campaigner Bernadette Devlin, now known by her married name of McAliskey, also fared badly, pulling in just 2,000 first-preference votes when she needed 5,000 to have a hope of election under the Irish proportional representation system.

Fahd arrives in royal camp

RIYADH, Feb. 20 (SPA) — Crown Prince Fahd arrived at the royal camp outside the capital Saturday afternoon.

The crown prince, who returned from Jeddah, was met on arrival by Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan and several top officials.

Sequel to Di's pictures Bahamas whisks off lensmen

ELEUTHERA, Bahamas, Feb. 20 (AP) — Bahamian officials rounded up several foreign photographers and took them off this Bahamian island after photographs of a pregnant Princess Diana in a bikini angered her mother-in-law, Queen Elizabeth II.

Two rival British tabloid newspapers apologized to the British royal family Friday for printing the photographs of the vacationing princess and her husband, Prince Charles. The photographs were made with long lenses from dense tropical underbrush. Photographers from several photo agencies and from a news agency were taken into custody Thursday and taken to the local airport after the reaction in England reached the Bahamas, photographers reported.

Dozens of photographers from Europe and the United States flocked to Eleuthera this week when the royal couple arrived for a private, 10-day retreat on the secluded island of Windermere. Charles and Diana, expecting their first child in June, are staying at

Provender Villa, a four-bedroom house owned by the royal family.

The photographs of the couple on the beach, taken Wednesday, were published Thursday in *The Sun* and *The Daily Star*, two mass-circulation dailies. Both papers apologized Friday and said they were withdrawing their teams of reporters and photographers from the Bahamas.

The pictures of the 20-year-old princess also upset many of Elizabeth's subjects, who jammed the switchboard at Buckingham Palace with calls expressing shock over the invasion of royal privacy. The queen's press secretary, Michael Shea, charged the newspapers with "tasteless behavior in breach of normally-accepted British press standards" and indicated the queen considered the pictures in the worst possible taste.

In the House of Commons, lawmakers from all parties signed a statement condemning the two newspapers. Britain's Press Council (Continued on back page)

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Interior ministers arrive for parley

Kingdom, Morocco sign security pact

RIYADH, Feb. 20 (SPA) — Interior ministers of the Kingdom and Morocco signed here Saturday a cooperation agreement during a meeting between Interior Minister Prince Naif and his Moroccan counterpart, Idris Al-Basri.

The agreement will regulate the exchange of security expertise, training and follow-up, in addition to opening talks for an agreement to govern the exchange of criminals between the two countries, Prince Naif said after the meeting.

Talks focused on two major topics; follow up of discussions which began in Morocco last year and signing the agreement, the interior minister said. "Cooperation between the two ministries dates back to many years. However, this agreement will regularize matters," Prince Naif said.

He added that the agreement calls for a committee, comprising both sides, to meet at least twice a year in Saudi Arabia or Morocco. The meeting will be held under the chairmanship of the interior minister of the country hosting the meeting, he added. The proposed committee will follow up cooperation between the two countries, he said.

Speaking about the Arab interior ministers' conference which opens here Monday, Prince Naif said that it is a limited conference assigned a specific topic, which is the establishment of the Arab Interior Ministers' Council, an implementation of the resolutions of last year's conference.

The statute for the council has been prepared, he said, adding that it will be submitted to the Arab League after approval by the interior ministers. The council will hold its first meeting in September in Morocco, Prince Naif said.

The Moroccan minister said the meeting with Prince Naif was an opportunity for consultations to adopt one path. He said he has certain proposals in regard to the agenda of the interior ministers' conference.

The meeting was attended by Dr. Ibrahim Al-Awaji, interior undersecretary; Abdul Aziz Aha Al-Khail, assistant undersecretary for administrative affairs; Gen. Abdullah Al-Sheikh, director of public security; Gen. Muhammad ibn Hallal, frontier corps director general; Maj. Gen. Muhammad Al-Balla, special forces commander; Brig. Muhammad

Al-Heili, director general of the internal forces academy; and other officials. The Moroccan side also comprised a similar delegation of senior officials and the ambassador to the Kingdom, Dr. Zeinulabidin Al-Alawi.

Meanwhile, Arab interior ministers started arriving as of Friday night to take part in the extraordinary conference which opens Monday. Iraqi Interior Minister Saadoun Shaker said that the conference will study interior ministries' affairs at the Arab nation's level, to coordinate efforts and cooperation in preserving security.

Sudanese Interior Minister Ahmad Muhammad Abdul Rahman said the conference will promote further relations between the officials. He hoped that the interior ministers would realize the aspirations of the Arab nation, especially as security is given priority as the main base for many other activities.

The ministers arrived in Jeddah and were welcomed by Deputy Makkah Governor Prince Saud ibn Abdul Mohsen. They proceeded to Riyadh Saturday, where they were received by Prince Naif, Deputy Riyadh Governor Prince Sattam; Dr. Ibrahim Al-Awaji and senior military officials.

Prince Abdullah meets Iraqi aide

RIYADH, Feb. 20 (SPA) — Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard, received Iraqi Interior Minister Saadoun Shaker here Saturday.

Bilateral relations and issues of common concern dominated the meeting, attended by Sheikh Abdul Aziz Al-Tuwaijri, assistant deputy commander of the National Guard. Shaker is here to take part in the extraordinary conference of the Arab interior ministers.

Somalia granted oil worth \$125m

JEDDAH, Feb. 20 (SPA) — An oil agreement was signed here Saturday between Saudi Arabia and Somalia, under which the Kingdom will supply 360,000 tons of crude oil worth \$125 million to Somalia.

Dr. Alawi Darwish Kayyal, minister of posts, telegraph and telephones, signed on the Kingdom's behalf, while Somalia was represented by Abdul Rahman Abu, minister of finance.

Later, Abu told SPA that the Saudi Arabian government is keenly anxious to help his country in its vital economic projects. Dr. Kayyal stated that the Kingdom helps its Muslim brothers, inspired by the sublime Islamic faith. He added that the Saudi government hastened to allocate this quantity of crude for Somalia, and authorized the Ministry of Finance and National Economy to pay the value to the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency (SAMA).

Transport show to open in Riyadh

By A Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Feb. 20 — Ahmed Youssuf Al-Turki, communications undersecretary for transport affairs, opens the Saudi Transport '82 exhibition amid a huge gathering of international commercial vehicle, aircraft and railroad manufacturers here Sunday. Products on display at Al-Dhiyafa International Expo complex range from small elect-

Governor continues visits to flooded Tihama villages

ASIR, Feb. 20 (SPA) — Asir Governor Prince Khaled Al-Faisal continued his inspection tour of villages and areas which suffered from floods last week. Accompanied by Deputy Communications Minister Dr. Nasser Al-Salloum and other officials, the governor visited areas where communications networks had been severed due to the floods.

The helicopter tour included several villages in the Tihama escarpment. Prince Khaled stopped in Mahail where he met with the emirs of several areas.

The governor began his tour Friday and visited the affected areas conveying King Khaled and Crown Prince Fahd's concern and their instructions for immediate relief. Many areas in Tihama, the Southern Region, were hit by floods after the worst rains seen in

the region last week. The emir of Mahail commended the visit and said that it will help lift the people's morale.

Prince Khaled visited the Mahail hospital where he was briefed on the services provided to the victims of the floods. He urged the officials to double their efforts in saving the victims. The officials also explained the Health Ministry's efforts to improve the overall medical care to residents.

During his flight, the prince inspected the damage done to the main road network linking the escarpment to the Asir region. Later during the day, Prince Khaled visited Qahmah where he met with citizens and conveyed the King's sympathy. He promised them repairs to the damaged roads and the grant of assistance to all who suffered from the floods.

Indian team to boost rubber sales

By Suresh Shah
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, Feb. 20 — An Indian rubber delegation, sponsored by the Chemicals and Allied Products Export Promotion Council, will arrive here Feb. 24 on a five-day market exploratory tour of the Kingdom.

According to an Indian embassy spokesman Saturday, the delegation is on the last leg of the five-week promotional tour that included several countries. After visiting Jeddah and Riyadh, the group will leave for Bahrain. The tour took the group to Addis Ababa, Khartoum, Cairo, Damascus, Amman, Baghdad, Belgrade and Rome.

The objectives of the mission are to pro-

mote Indian rubber goods and study market potential for bicycle tires and tubes, hoses and belting, automotive rubber components and industrial molded rubber goods. The delegation also negotiates with leading business houses for appointing agents for Indian manufacturers, the spokesman said.

The four-member team is headed by T. Eapen Koshy, general manager (export) of Madras Rubber Factory Limited. Other members include Ravi Khanna, director (marketing) of Hilton Rubbers; Farook Vohra, in-charge of Zenith Rubber and Plastic Works; and Jayanta Bagchi, senior officer of the council.

He added that constant research, strict quality control and competitive prices have given Indian rubber goods a favorable place in the international market. In the last five years, India's rubber exports increased by nearly 300 percent, he said. In 1980-81, rubber goods worth Rs. 130 million were exported to the U.S., USSR, Italy, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Tanzania and the UAE. The figure is expected to reach Rs. 160 million in 1982 and Rs. 500 million by 1984, the spokesman said.

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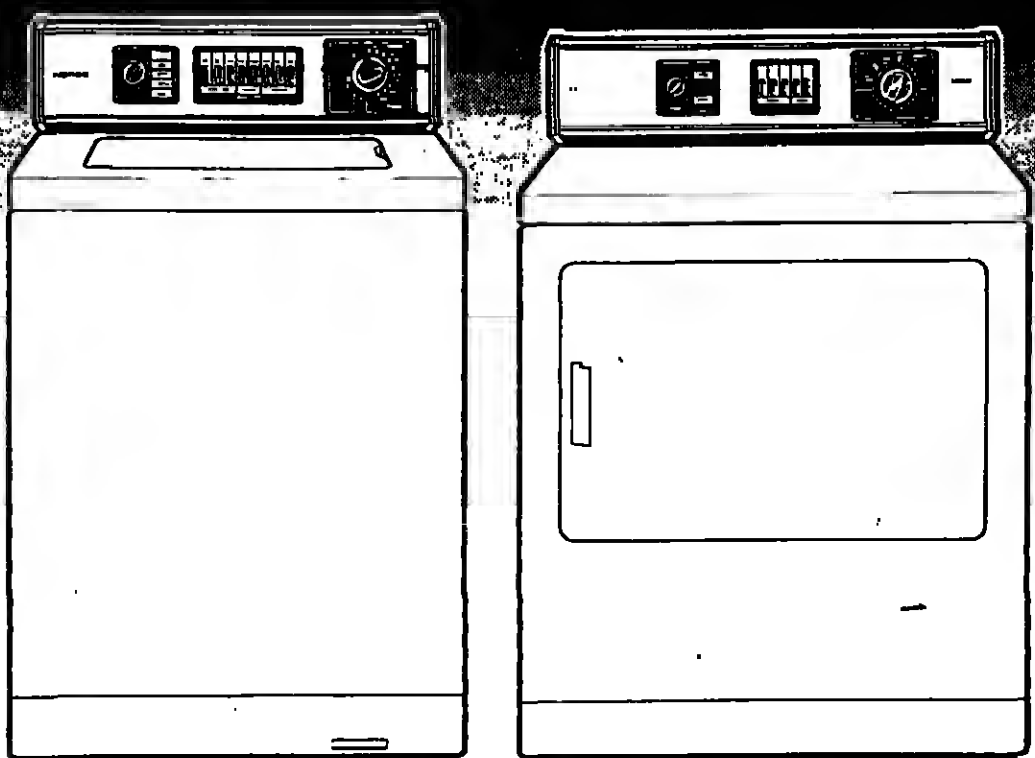
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Agriculture will flourish in GCC states -- minister

BEIRUT, Feb. 20 (SPA) — Agriculture and animal resources will flourish between Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) states according to Agriculture and Water Minister Sheikh Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh.

In an interview Saturday with the Lebanese magazine *Al-Mustaqbal*, the minister said that Saudi Arabia's strategic program in the agriculture and wheat production was going side by side with the other programs which aim at developing the country's animal resources as well as meat and dairy industries.

Meanwhile, Dr. Abdullah Al-Quwaiz the GCC assistant secretary general for economic affairs, said that the council's activities are following a rapid pace owing to the sense of responsibility and the firm resolve of the members. He added that the GCC leaders wanted their countries to overcome any obstacles impeding their mutual cooperation.

He told the magazine that GCC states are working to integrate their efforts and to achieve maximum food security with a view to reducing food shortages as much as possible.

The dearth of agricultural potentialities of the GCC states does not necessarily mean that the latter's overall potential is employed as it should, he said. Saudi Arabia's agricultural experience, especially in regard to wheat cultivation, showed that a good development

and increase of agricultural production is possible, he said.

In another development, the agriculture and water ministry has invited a number of specialist companies to bid for implementing the Quwayia water project after completing the necessary studies for executing the project as a comprehensive plan.

The project incorporates digging of several wells at a site 40 kms. away from Quwayia town. It will also provide for building a number of water tanks, main and branch pipelines, in addition to pumping stations.

The Quwayia project will be executed along the lines of the Washem water plan which provides water to a group of towns and villages.

Khaled greets Gambia leader, receives Khalifa

RIYADH, Feb. 20 (SPA) — King Khaled Saturday cabled his congratulations to President Dauda Jawara of Gambia on his country's independence day. The monarch expressed his best wishes to the president and wished the Gambian people further progress and prosperity.

Earlier Friday, the King received at the royal camp near here Sheikh Hamad ibn Issa Al-Khalifa, Bahrain's heir apparent and defense forces commander. The meeting was attended by Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan. The Bahraini official later had dinner with the King.

Mosques allocated SR39m SR70m school contracts let

RIYADH, Feb. 20 (SPA) — Education Minister Dr. Abdul Aziz Al-Khuwair Saturday signed contracts totaling SR70 million with a number of national firms to carry out projects in various educational zones in the Kingdom.

The projects call for the construction of modern buildings to house 10 primary schools here, each comprising 18 classrooms. They also provide for the establishment of five 12-classroom intermediate schools and other amenities. These are Al-Mujahideen school in Makkah; Yanbu' Al-Nakhl school and Bawadi Al-Far' school in Madinah

zone; Barabe's school; and a school in Taif district.

In another development, Sheikh Abdul Wahhab Abdul Wasie, minister of pilgrimage and endowments, has approved the commissioning of 28 mosque construction projects in Qasim at an estimated cost of SR39 million.

The projects include 11 mosques in Bakkah; nine in Unaizah; and the rest in Bekairah, Riyadh Al-Khabra, Badae, Qawarah, Muthannab and Fawarah.

Muhammad Abdul Rahman ibn Sulma, director general for waqfs and mosques in the Central Province, said that these projects will all be implemented under the current fiscal year's budget, adding that the contracts have already been signed and the sites and being handed over to the executing companies.

Faisal to open sports session

RIYADH, Feb. 20 (SPA) — Prince Faisal ibn Fahd, president of youth welfare and chairman of the Arab athletic games federation opens the fourth session of the board of directors of the Arab amateurs, Boxing Federation here Sunday.

The deliberations will focus on the internal regulation of the federation, a resolution concerning the Arab boycott of the Iranian athletic teams and the stance of the Arab federations on inviting Israel to the Asian Boxing Championship to be held in Korea.

In a separate development, the secretary general of the Lebanese Association for Field and Track Games, confirmed Saturday that the Kingdom's general presidency has decided to help the association's fund with SR1 million, to enable it to revive the games and to take part in various Arab and international sports activities.

BRIEFS

Jurisdiction Academy, held in Makkah last week at MWL headquarters. The meeting was attended by MWL Assistant Secretary General Sheikh Muhammad Safwat Al-Sagqa and Assistant Secretary General for Mosque Affairs Sheikh Ali Mukhtar.

JEDDAH (SPA) — Salem Sunbul, Foreign Ministry's chief of protocol, received Saturday a copy of credentials of the Niger ambassador-designate.

TUNIS (SPA) — Secretary General of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC) Habib Chatti arrived here Friday on a few days' visit to Tunis during which he will hold talks with Tunisian President Habib Bourguiba and other officials.

RIYADH (SPA) — A group representing the socialist group at the European Parliament arrived here from Jeddah Saturday on a three-day visit. They were received at the airport by Sheikh Ali Al-Sughair, director of the Foreign Ministry's office here.

U.S. research team visits port

DAMMAM, Feb. 20 (SPA) — A research team from the U.S. Department of Agriculture made an inspection tour of King Abdul Aziz Port in Dammam. The group visited the docks, storage facilities, other divisions of the port and installations of the Government Railroad Organization.

They were accompanied by officials of the Ministry of Agriculture and Water. The visiting team will meet with the board of the Eastern Province Chamber of Commerce and Industry and businessmen.

The visit to the port was part of their tour of the Eastern Province at the invitation of the agriculture and water ministry to inspect the local methods of import in addition to holding talks with Saudi Arabian businessmen and officials of the Saudi Ports Authority and the Customs Department. Talks will involve promoting cooperation and exchanging expertise in procedures of export and import of agricultural products.

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Because of Hama fighting

Habib's Mideast trip delayed

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20 (AP)—Fighting in Syria between government troops and the Muslim Brotherhood appears to have made the United States postpone a planned trip by special emissary Philip Habib to the region, despite U.S. fears of imminent Israeli military intervention in south Lebanon.

Habib, to whom President Reagan has given the job of consolidating the ceasefire in Lebanon, would leave for the Middle East next week, at the earliest, a State Department spokesman said Friday. Syrian accusations that the United States was implicated in the 17-day-old uprising at Hama, northern Syria, had dashed hopes of arranging a meeting between Habib and President Hafez Assad, U.S. officials said.

The view here is that there would be little sense in sending Habib unless he could meet Syrian leaders, because the presence in Lebanon of Syrian ground-to-air missiles is alleged to be a threat to the fragile Lebanon ceasefire concluded last July.

The U.S. government is taking very seriously threats made over the past few days by Israel that it would not tolerate any further "violations" of the Lebanese ceasefire by the Palestinians. Israeli Prime Minister Mena-

hem Begin, to back up his assertions, sent Gen. Yehoshua Saguy, head of the Israeli Military Intelligence Service to the United States 10 days ago.

Gen. Saguy brought documents to tell Secretary of State Alexander Haig that the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) in Lebanon was preparing for attacks against Israel. Gen. Saguy's mission, backed up by unconfirmed information reaching Washington of Israeli military reinforcements along south Lebanon, has caused concern among U.S. experts.

Some officials in the Defense and State departments fear privately that Israel might take advantage of the unrest in Syria to launch a short, sharp strike at Palestinian positions in Lebanon.

The United States which is anxious to allay Israeli fears and avoid further tension in the Middle East has multiplied reassurances of its support for Israel during the past week.

The Israelis had reacted very strongly to recent reports of a U.S. offer made by Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger, to sell arms to Jordan.

Bahrain stresses Palestinian role

MANAMA, Feb. 20 (AP)—The ruler of Bahrain has laid singular stress of Palestinian participation in current and future contacts for a Middle East settlement.

"Peace can never be achieved in this region without the Palestinians, who are the main victims and whose case is the crux of the problem," Sheikh Isa Bin Salman Al Khalifa said. Apparently reflecting the main Mideast policy line adopted by Bahrain and its five allies in Gulf Cooperation

Council (GCC), Kbalifa made the statement during a meeting with Robert White, a member of the Associated Press Board of Directors. White arrived Tuesday on the first leg of a Gulf tour.

The other point stressed by him was the GCC's philosophy of cooperation for world peace and prosperity with the United States and the international community at large. "We want nothing but peace, and we have no wish for anybody's enmity," he said.

U.S. to sell F-5 jets to Tunisia

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20 (AP)—The Pentagon has told Congress it plans to sell Tunisia 12 F-5 jet fighters to give that country an air defense which it now lacks.

The purchase of six F-5E and six F-5F fighters will cost Tunisia about \$200 million, the Pentagon said Friday. "Tunisia has no interceptor aircraft and no air defense capability at present," the Pentagon said in a statement supporting the proposed sale. It described Tunisia's planned purchase of these interceptors as part of a five-year program announced by Tunisia to modernize its armed forces. The F-5 is a short-range fighter used by many countries.

Mubarak visiting Israel next month

CAIRO, Feb. 20 (AP)—President Hosni Mubarak will make his first visit to Israel as Egyptian head of state on either March 17 or 24, the press here reported Saturday.

Israel proposed the two dates and now Mubarak is deciding which one he prefers, the *Al Gumburiah* newspaper said. The weekly *October* said the visit would be from March 16-17. While flying back from Muscat, Oman, Wednesday, Mubarak said the date had not been fixed. It will be discussed when Egyptian Foreign Minister Kamal Hassao Ali and Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir met in Cairo Feb. 22, he added.

U.S. court blocks deportation of Afghan refugees

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 20 (AP)—Twenty-nine Afghan refugees, who say they fled certain death in their homeland and dire poverty in India, won a reprieve Friday from deportation and freedom from the U.S. air Force barracks where they had been kept.

Administrative Law Judge Bernard J. Hornbek told the refugees to return for individual family hearings in April and May on their applications for asylum in the United States. The U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service denied their applications last week.

The refugees say they would be executed in Afghanistan, where they say they have seen family and friends killed by government and Soviet troops. They added they fear that India, which does not want them, will send them back to Afghanistan.

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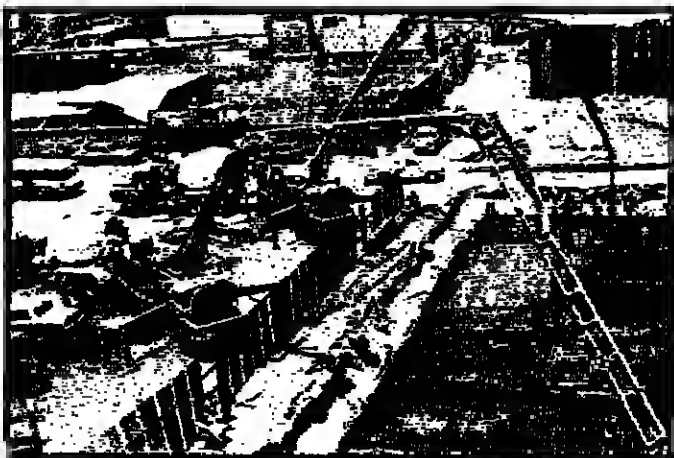
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Thousands of Iranians killed, wounded by Iraq

NICOSIA, Feb. 20 (Agencies) The Iraqi forces crushed an Iranian attack launched Saturday in the Bostan region in southern Iran, killing and wounding thousands of Iranian troops, the official Iraqi News Agency reported.

The agency, quoting a communique from the Iraqi Military High Command, said a quantity of enemy military hardware was destroyed and a large number of troops captured. It added that Saturday's offensive by the Iranians near the international border some 80 kms northwest of Ahwaz, the capital of Iran's southern oil province of Khuzistan, was the third since Thursday and that the Iraqis beat back all three offensives with the help of armor, jet fighters and helicopter gunships.

The village of Bostan, a few miles east of the border, dominates a vital supply route of Iraqi troops occupying chunks of Iranian territory in northern and southern Khuzistan since the breakout of the Iran-Iraq war Sept. 22, 1980. The Iranians retook Bostan Nov. 28, 1981, disrupting the supply line. They used Bostan as a staging point for raids behind the Iraqi lines and inside Iraqi territory.

The Iranians had received "considerable reinforcements following their defeat in the Bostan region" following the Iraqi offensive Feb. 7, INA said, adding that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein had been present during the Bostan operations.

Fresh fighting erupted Feb. 6 when the Iraqis said they dislodged the Iranians from Bostan in a surprise attack in which Iraqi war communiques claimed more than 7,700 Iranian troops were killed. War communiques issued to Tehran claimed, however, that the Iranian forces were still holding out, adding that the attack had cost the Iraqis more than 2,000 troops.

UAE urges French role in solving M.E. crisis

ABU DHABI, Feb. 20 (AP) — The crown prince of the United Arab Emirates pressed French Minister of External Affairs Claude Cheysson Saturday for "a French role" in a solution to the Palestinian problem.

"France should play a role vis-a-vis the Palestinian cause, on the premises of the principles of righteousness and justice adopted by the French government," Maj. Gen. Khalifa Bin Zayed, who is also UAE defense minister, told Cheysson. The French minister, who arrived Friday night for a two-day visit, was received earlier by President Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan, who also demanded that France "stand on the side of righteousness and justice and support the rights of the Palestinian people for establishing their independent state on their homeland and soil."

"European countries, particularly France, must differentiate in their attitudes and policies between the aggressor and the victim of aggression," Sheikh Zayed said. The statements were distributed by the UAE news agency WAM, which quoted the French minister as saying he had "described the broad outlines of France's global and Mideast policies" to Sheikh Zayed. Cheysson said he conveyed a message from President Francois Mitterrand with an invitation to Sheikh Zayed to visit France.

Official trip Tuesday

Qaddafi, Bourguiba to hold talks

TUNIS, Feb. 20 (AP) — Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi will arrive in Tunisia Tuesday on an official visit, government sources said Tuesday. The sources said Qaddafi was making the trip at the invitation of Tunisian President Habib Bourguiba and that the visit marked a warming of relations between the two Arab states.

Relations between Tunisia and Libya became strained two years ago after an aborted uprising in the southern Tunisian mining city of Gafsa. Tunisia claimed the militants who attempted to take over the city had been backed by Libya. Qaddafi made a surprise 24-hour stopover in Tunisia a month ago while en route home from an official trip to Algeria. He met with Tunisian Prime Minister Mubammad Mazli and expressed his desire for a meeting with Bourguiba, who at the time was visiting the United States.

The Libyan leader's last official visit to Tunisia was in February, 1978. Government sources said it was not yet known how long he planned to stay during his upcoming visit.

N. Yemeni president visits Oman

MUSCAT, Feb. 20 (R) — North Yemeni President Ali Abdullah Saleh arrived here Saturday for the first visit to Oman by a North Yemeni head of state. He was warmly welcomed by the ruler, Sultan Qaboos Bin Said.

Oman is the first stop on col. Saleh's eight-nation Arab tour, which he said was intended to strengthen ties. Before leaving North Yemen, he said in a statement it was necessary to clear away Arab discord to allow the reconvening of the Arab summit in Morocco.

Col. Saleh and Sultan Qaboos are holding official talks Saturday centered on bilateral relations and Arab and international issues.

The Yemeni leader is due to leave Sunday to resume his tour, which will take him to Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates, Kuwait, Qatar, Iraq and Jordan.

BRIEFS

ANKARA, (AFP) — At least 23 persons died and seven were injured when a building housing customs services at the Iraqi-Turkish border post of Hahur collapsed on two parked buses Saturday, official sources here reported Saturday.

PEKING, (AFP) — Moroccan Prime Minister Maati Bouabid, who starts an official weeklong visit to China Monday, believes the world is threatened by "hegemonism and imperialism," he told the Chinese Communist Party newspaper "People's Daily" in an interview published Saturday.

TEL AVIV, (AFP) — Israeli soldiers Saturday used tear gas to break up a pro-Palestinian demonstration by some 200 Israelis at the West Bank town of Ramallah, north of here, eyewitnesses said. The demonstrators, from the Committee of Solidarity with Bir Zeit University, closed this week by officials, were moving peacefully from the center of Ramallah toward government military buildings when troops fired tear gas grenades without warning.

KHARTOUM, (AFP) — Students in their final year in all faculties at the University of Khartoum resumed studies Saturday after a 45-day closure of classes by the authorities in the wake of violent demonstrations sparked by major rises in the price of sugar.

MANAMA, (AP) — Douglas Hurd, British minister of state for foreign and Commonwealth affairs, is to start a four-nation Gulf tour Monday.

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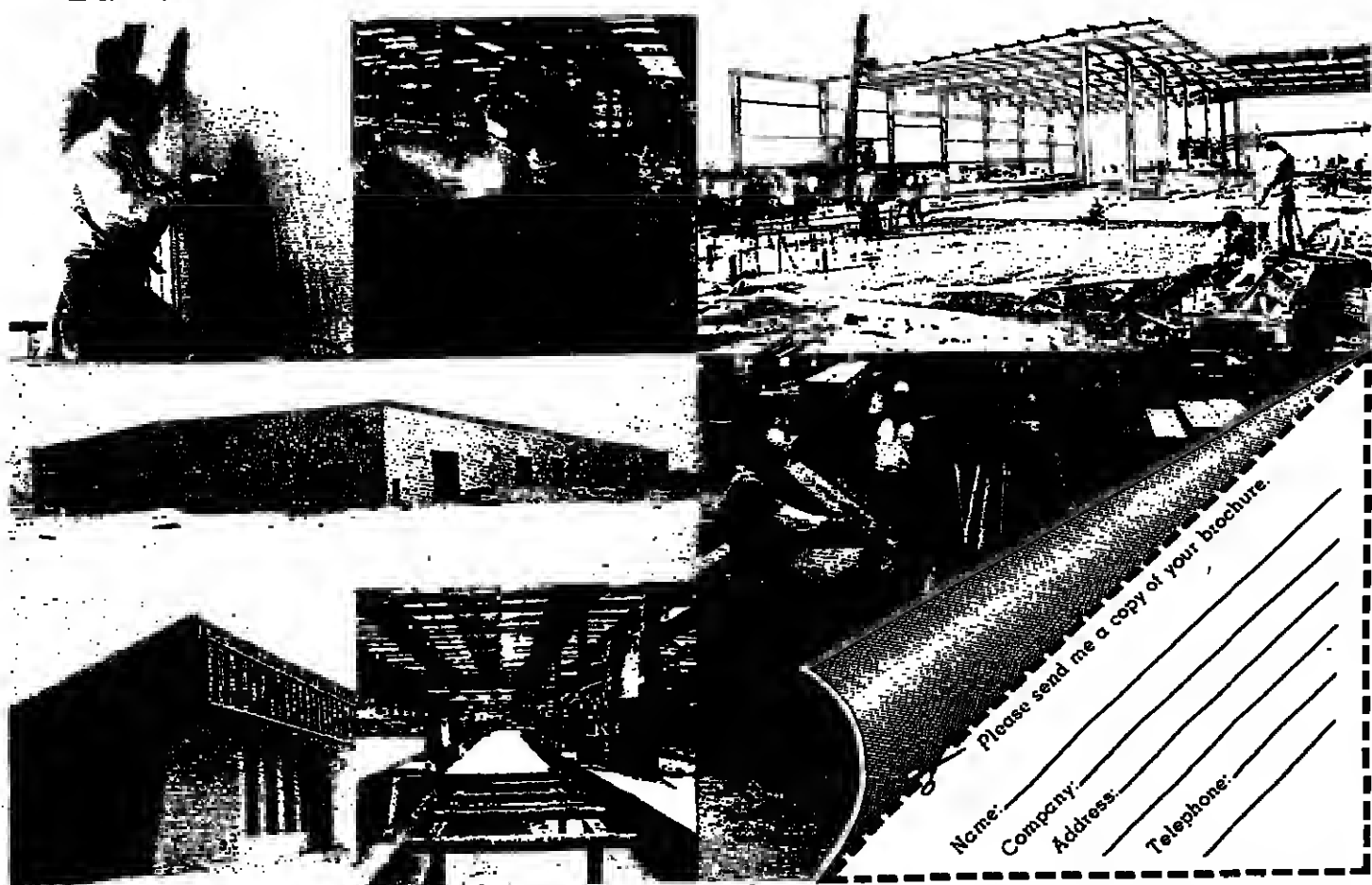
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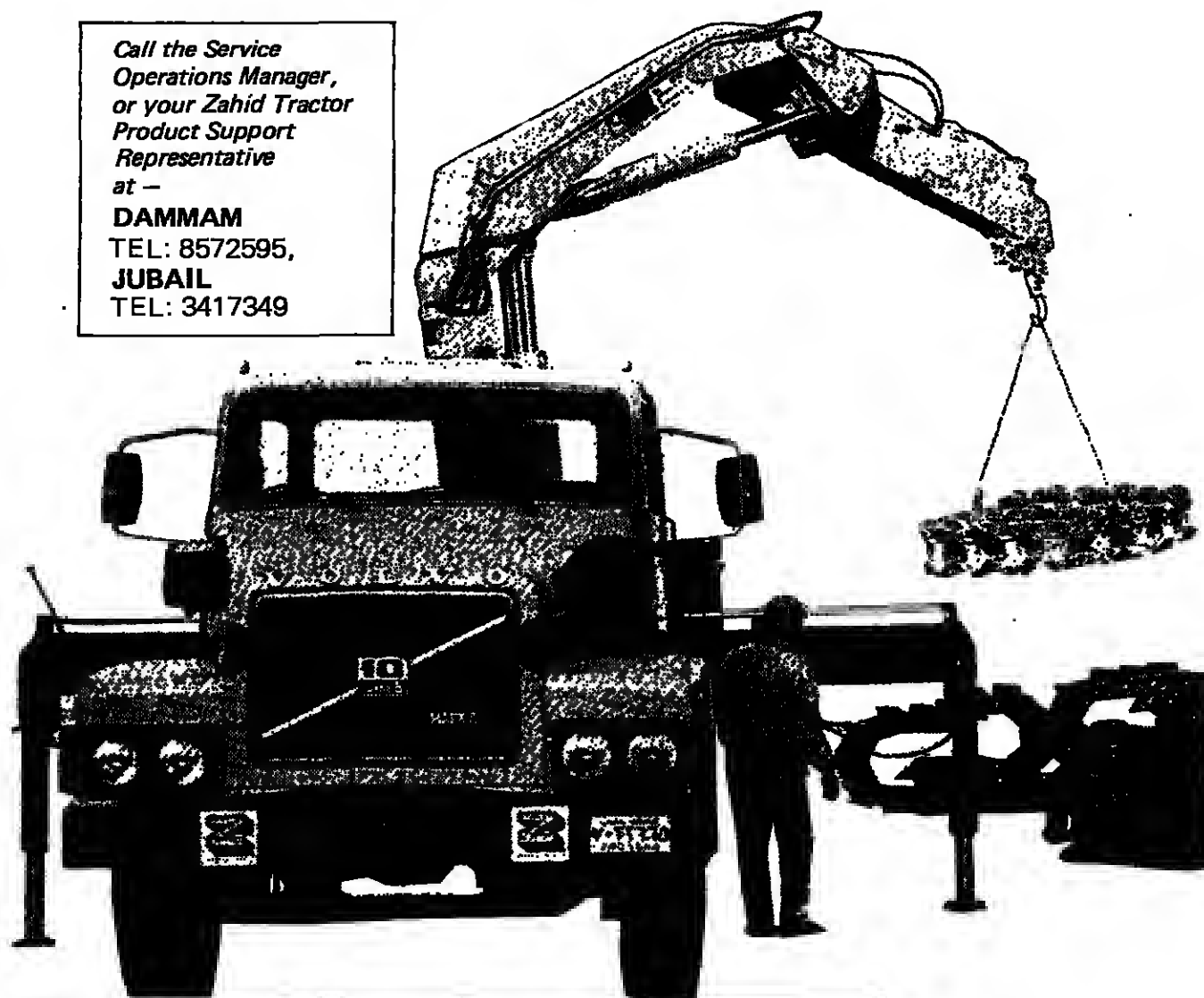
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If it works for East Beirut, then it must work for the West-ern sector!

This is at least the slogan raised by the Lebanese National Movement, the framework gathering the various political parties groupings, active in West Beirut, as it decided to levy taxes on the area's inhabitants. The money is needed to finance those municipal and other services which have been discontinued or severely curtailed almost from the time of civil war.

Over in East Beirut, the Lebanese Front and its armed extension, the Lebanese Forces, have been collecting taxes from citizens, in the interest, so the Front says, of "steadfastness," as well as of performing those same services which the national movement intends to offer.

The head of the movement, Walid Jumblatt, had up to now resisted pressure from member groupings to levy taxes in the area, considering this an infringement of the privilege of the central government. He has condemned the practice of the Front on this ground, describing it as extortion.

But the pressure on the National Movement to do likewise has increased recently, owing to the failure of the central government to discharge its duties to West Beirut. Roads there have remained unattended, electricity and water supplies continue to be erratic and telephone and postal services in need of capitalization and organization.

Observers of the Lebanese political scene have expressed the worry that the movement's intention to gather taxes to meet such requirements might also mean a *de facto* recognition of the division of the city, and then perhaps of the country. The signs are that grave developments appear to be on the way in Lebanon, so that the movement's timing on this matter could be linked to them.

Saudi Arabian press review

The biased U.S. Mideast policy toward the Zionists in the light of President Reagan's renewed pledge to keep the military superiority of Israel over the Arab nation, the uprising of the people of the Syrian Golan Heights and the occupied West Bank, the upcoming emergency meeting in Riyadh of the interior ministers of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) and the Saudi-Yemeni relations figured for editorial comments in Saturday's newspapers.

Al-Riyadh hailed the widespread uprising in the Golan and West Bank. The paper noted that the repeated Israeli aggression against the Arabs of the occupied lands and the imminent threat to South Lebanon, and even Jordan and Syria, are in harmony with the continued American military and economic backing to Israel.

It asked how the U.S. could claim that it is striving for maintaining peace and security in the Mideast while the Reagan administration declares its full support to the aggressive Zionists and is going their expansionist policy against the Arabs.

Al-Madina urged the Arab nation to adopt a collective policy toward the Western countries and Japan who refrained from backing the legitimate rights of the Arab people in the U.N. It called upon the Western world led by the U.S. to commit itself to the principles of good conduct with friendly nations.

Al-Jazirah hailed the strong relations between the Kingdom and North Yemen and billed these ties as a model that should be followed by the Arab states to achieve a collective Arab front.

Okaz urged the Arab states to unify their ranks, speed up Arab solidarity to face the Zionist and superpower challenges. "The question is to be or not to be," said the paper.

Al-Bilad welcomed the upcoming meeting of the GCC interior ministers which starts in Riyadh Monday. The paper observed the conference will draw up the joint Arab strategy in facing any foreign challenges threatening the stability and welfare of the Gulf peoples. The meeting is an additional asset in the series of meetings the Gulf region witnessed for the enhancement of its political, economic and military potentials, the paper said.

Al-Nadwa praised the forthcoming efforts of the Islamic Goodwill Committee to bring peace between Iran and Iraq. Putting an end to the 18-month hostilities between Iran and Iraq will ensure saving bloodshed and enable them to join effectively the Arab and Islamic collective front to face the dangers threatening the Arab and Islamic world, the paper said. (SPA)



Soviet dissidents' plight remains despite Helsinki accords

By Mark Frankland

LONDON — The plight of Soviet dissidents who criticize or try to modify the way the Soviet system works is dramatically worse today than when the Helsinki agreement — that the West hoped might help them — was signed six years ago.

There was always the suspicion, when the two halves of Europe exchanged gingerly embraces at the conclusion of the Helsinki Final Act, that it might mean no more than a temporary truce of peace between rival gangs. And last week's meeting of the Helsinki review conference in Madrid did deteriorate into a diplomat's version of gang warfare, with both sides finding convenient weapons at hand in the Final Act itself.

The West was able to seize on the numerous clauses in the Act's so-called Basket One on human and civic rights and hurl them at the martial law Poles and the Russians. But the East had just been presented with a fine cudgel in the shape of the American defense secretary's annual report. Weinberger said that restrictions on East-West trade were essential to the survival of the West: Western strategy "must see to it that the productivity and technological creativity of free societies are not exploited to make good the chronic deficiencies of the Communist system".

This was not easy to reconcile with the undertaking in Basket Two on economic and scientific co-operation "to promote... the expansion of mutual trade in goods and services, and to ensure conditions favorable to such development".

Helsinki may have come down to political warfare, but harsh words never hurt a diplomat. In Russia, the dissidents have been badly hurt. No one could have imagined, when the Final Act was signed in 1975, that the Soviet authorities would either silence or drive underground almost all the dissenting voices in their country. Yet this is what has happened over the past two and a half years.

In this period, some 550 persons have been arrested for political or religious offenses. The hardest hit — about 250 — are members of religious denominations who have come into conflict with the strict Soviet laws controlling religious practice. The remainder of these arrested are human rights activists or belong to national minority movements.

The KGB has struck at groups that were treated with some circumspection before 1979, and it has developed generally tougher tactics. Some dissidents have been arrested on criminal charges as opposed to the political ones of "anti-Soviet agitation and propaganda" or the dissemination of "fabrications known to be false which defame the Soviet political and social system". There are now cases of those in camps or in exile being rearrested when their sentences expire. A member of the Ukrainian Helsinki Monitoring Group (its creation, like that of similar groups in Moscow, Georgia and Lithuania, inspired by Helsinki's Final Act) was recently rearrested at the end of a camp term and given another five years.

The result is that the only organized group of dissenters still working properly is the committee set up to defend the rights of the disabled. Why are the Russians doing this? One of the best sources of information on "what is happening" in Soviet dissent is Kronid Lyubarsky, a Russian astronomer who received a five-year sentence for his dissenting activities in 1972 and who now publishes a carefully-researched news bulletin in West Germany.

Lyubarsky believes there are four main reasons for the crackdown. First, the economy is in trouble, and some parts of the country are so short of food that local rationing has been introduced. Second, nationalist movements against Russian domination remain a chronic, if containable, problem in the Baltic republics, the Caucasus and the West Ukraine. Third, there is uncertainty about the post-Brezhnev era. And lastly, the deterioration in East-West relations, most recently the "long shadow cast by Poland" since August 1980, has made the Soviet leadership exceptionally sensitive to any organized dissenting opinion within the country.

Many Western students of Soviet affairs agree with this analysis. The Soviet leaders feel that "imperialism has thrown down a challenge" (the words of Konstantin Chernenko, Brezhnev's right hand in the Politburo, speaking at the French Communist Party congress this month) at the very moment when their economy, in spite of decent successes throughout much of the 1970s, seems shaken by the assault of world criticism on Soviet-style socialism. "Our enemy," Chernenko told the French Communists, "is trying to search out some sort of crisis of socialism. Unfortunately, some people believe this."

The dilemma is that indiscriminate pressure against the Soviet Union decreases the chances of those regular, laborious contacts with the Russians in which deals can be struck. Instead, a new generation of Soviet dissidents has been forced to go underground. This frightens their elders of Lyubarsky's generation who tried to act legally and openly. Lyubarsky worries that the step from the underground to terrorism may be small; there are rich precedents for this in Russian history. Ivan Kovalyov, a member of the Moscow Helsinki Monitoring Group now in prison, expressed the same fear in a *Samizdat* document: "If the (human rights) movement ceases to exist, it will be replaced by terrorists."

The Soviet reaction to that, and the West's counter-reaction, would give another twist to the screw of mutual fear and distaste. But as Madrid showed last week, both sides are caught in a logic of assault and counterassault which neither knows how to stop. Meanwhile, among those who suffer from each turn of the screw are those we set out to help six years ago in Helsinki. (ONS)

Opposition gaining strength in Argentina

By Douglas Grant Mine

BUENOS AIRES — Organized labor and a broad political coalition are mobilizing civilian forces to protest military government policies, which they claim have brought poverty and hunger to Argentina.

Unemployment and prices are rising in the country at a rapid rate and the military government itself has expressed concern about possible mass protests and violence. The jobless in Argentina do not have employment compensation, thus the complaints of hunger in a land known for its large beef herds and vast wheat fields.

The General Confederation of Labor, which claimed a membership of 5 million workers under civilian rule, has called for a mass anti-government demonstration in the coming weeks. The organization, which exists despite its suspension following the military coup, has not announced a time and place for the demonstration. Union sources say, however it could be in the first half of March in Buenos Aires' huge Plaza de Mayo, where the confederation used to rally hundreds of thousands. Public protest has been outlawed here since the military seized power in 1976.

Saul Ubaldini, the confederation's secretary-general, said in a recent interview the rally is necessary "because hunger is not only knocking at the door of the Argentine worker, but has entered his home." Security forces put down a confederation-sponsored rally last October, cordoning off the appointed gathering place with armored cars and machine-gun-toting police.

Ubaldini says he realizes that the demonstration, even if peaceful, could be quashed. "In any case, it is not going to be an act of cowardice. The Argentine worker is going to demonstrate his valor," he said.

Unemployment is at a 10-year high. The government says the rate is about 6 percent. The Argentine Industrial Union, a private business organization, puts it at twice that. With a work force of 10 million, that would mean more than a million people out of work. But unemployment is just part of what has many Argentines ready to take to the streets. Purchasing power has dropped nearly 20 percent last year. Many see the military as oblivious to the plight of the average man. Resentment toward the generals is high.

"We are on the verge of rebellion," radical party leader Paul Alfonsini told a group of journalists early in February. "The military should return to the barracks as soon as possible, because if they don't their failure will be even greater."

The radicals have joined with the Peronists and three other parties in what they call a "multiparty" to lobby for a return to civilian government. The group, which accounted for 70 percent of the vote in the last election in 1973, has not formally endorsed the labor confederation's projected rally. But it is working on its own mobilization program here and in the provinces, which Alfonsini said would include "street demonstrations and passive resistance."

Some Argentines are not waiting. In early February, about 50 women marched through Rosario, a city about 250 miles north of Buenos Aires. They beat on pots and pans and shouted slogans against the high cost of living and unemployment. "We're not going to take it anymore," they cried out.

The government has expressed its concern. The labor minister, Gen. Julio Porcile of the Air Force, was quoted in Buenos Aires newspapers recently as saying, "Unemployment worries us in government as much as it does the unions. Because if no solution is found, we're all of us — businessmen, unionists and government — threatened by violence."

The government of Gen. Leopoldo Galtieri, who replaced Gen. Roberto E. Viola as president in December, is trying to revolutionize an economy that for decades was nationalist and populist.

High import barriers, cheap credit and frequent bailouts of faltering industry led to a situation that in 1976 was described as "chaotic." Inflation was over 300 percent a year and the country had virtually no foreign exchange reserves.

The military's efforts to liberalize the economy have brought recession. That is part of modernizing an anachronistic system, according to the government, which promises an upturn during the second half of this year. Galtieri has said the course is set and there will be no backtracking. His interior minister, Gen. Alfredo Saint Jean, said: "The government is going to show the firmness necessary to overcome this movement, but not so much as to cause a social commotion."

But prices are rising more than 10 percent a month. That is one of the highest inflation rates in the world. Every morning before dawn, about 4,000 stevedores gather in the city's port section hoping for a day's work. Half of them leave disappointed. The dockworkers, like the automobile and textile industries, have been particularly hard hit by the recession.

The stevedores talk to reporters only on the condition that their names not be used. Arrests under the extraordinary powers have decreased considerably, but memories of wholesale repression during the late 1970s fresh in their minds. "Anything can happen," said one. "The milicos (a derogatory term for the military) keep squeezing and something is going to give." "This government is not concerned about the people. They never look down," said another man who said he had not worked in three months.

"Let's say 7,000 port workers hit the streets, carrying signs and chanting." He crossed his wrists and made the sound of handcuffs snapping shut. "Clack. They throw you in jail, or worse, shoot you like a dog." Another said, however: "Sure people are afraid. But hunger is stronger than fear." (AP)

U.S. army runs campaign on chemical war

By Peter Pringle

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Army has been secretly running a massive propaganda campaign to support its new chemical warfare production plan.

American journalists, academics and key members of the Reagan administration have been "targeted" by a special army task force charged with promoting "positive public CW (chemical warfare) awareness." The army's campaign scored a major victory earlier this week in persuading Reagan that production of new lethal nerve gas weapons was "essential to the national interest." The president has told Congress to go ahead with production of the new weapons, thus clearing the way for an end to a nearly 13-year moratorium on their manufacture. The new program could cost up to \$8 billion.

If Congress approves the Pentagon budget request to build the new weapons — a 155mm artillery

shell and a nerve gas bomb called Big-Eye — the plan is to put the weapons into Europe. According to chemical warfare experts here, Britain is the preferred storage place and France is the likely country where the weapons will be tested. No agreements have been made with either country.

It seems that neither President Reagan nor Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger needed much persuading of the need to meet what the army has described as an increasing chemical warfare threat from the Soviet Union. In his annual defense report, Weinberger devoted an entire section to chemical warfare asserting that the Soviet Union has achieved a dangerous advantage over the West.

The administration has also participated vigorously in publicizing the recent evidence of Soviet use of biological weapons in Southeast Asia. Both the Soviet's "advantage" and the evidence of their use of biological weapons have been challenged and there is, as yet, no conclusive proof of either. Des-

pite its victory with the administration, the army recognizes that there is considerable opposition, both inside and outside Congress, to the nerve gas production decision. *The New York Times* said the president's decision to break the 13-year moratorium was "reckless... He does not need it or the trouble it will bring."

To counter the opposition, the army has secretly prepared a Chemical Action Plan, which notes that "an impressive supporting effort sectors" against the production of the new weapons. The plan lists 15 "areas which the opponents' media efforts have developed and exploited." They include: "The immoral and inhumane nature of CW; the introduction of a (new) chemical weapons technology that will promote proliferation; and the fact that the principal target for the chemical weapons will be the civilian population since it cannot be protected."

— (ONS)

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Sunday, Feb. 21st, the 52nd day of 1982. There are 313 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this date:

1613 — Michael Romanov, son of Patriarch of Moscow, is elected Tsar of Russia, thus founding House of Romanov.

1652 — Treaty of Hildesheim between Sweden and North German Protestant states.

1795 — Dutch surrenders Indian Ocean Island of Ceylon to Britain.

1849 — British forces defeat Sikhs in Gujrat state in India.

1909 — Bulgaria's Ferdinand visits Russia for financial aid.

1916 — Battle for Verdun in France begins World War I — longest and bloodiest battle of war in which more than one million were killed.

1919 — Bavarian Premier Kurt Riser assassinated in Munich.

1922 — British protectorate in Egypt ends.

1941 — Allied forces land in Italy's African territory of Eritrea in World War II.

1964 — Attempted assassination is made on Turkish Premier Ismet Inonu.

1970 — Swiss airliner bound for Israel crashes in Flanaka nuclear plant in Switzerland, killing all 47 persons aboard.

1973 — Israeli fighter planes shoot down civilian Libyan jetliner over Sinai desert, killing more than 100 persons. Israel claims the plane did not heed warnings to land.

1979 — Egypt and Israel open another round of peace negotiations under U.S. auspices at Camp David, with Iran events complicating prospects for Middle East peace.

1980 — Merchants in Afghan capital of Kabul stage massive protest against Soviet occupation of their country.

1981 — Soviet Defense Minister Dmitri Ustinov accuses Western nations of trying to reopen the cold war.

Thought for Today:

A sharp tongue is the only edged tool that grows keener with constant use. — Washington Irving, U.S. writer (1783-1859).

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Holiday in El Salvador?

Tourist bureau has 'image problem,' hopes to replace American income

By Colin McSeveny

SAN SALVADOR, (R) — In any list of the world's most daunting jobs those of Abraham Mendez and his colleagues at El Salvador's National Tourism Institute would surely come near the top. Their task is to encourage foreigners to holiday in a land now best known abroad for its daily round of indiscriminate political killings, bomb blasts and gunbattles between government soldiers and leftist guerrillas.

"There is no denying that we have an image problem but I am confident we are at last beginning to halt the slump in the number of visitors to El Salvador," said Mendez, the institute's deputy general manager.

The enormity of their task is reflected in the statistics graph of their latest bulletin

which resembles the ones in cartoons that plummet out of sight.

In 1978, before the violence mounted, 300,000 people visited El Salvador while provisional figures for 1981 show that this figure has fallen to only 60,000.

As a foreign revenue earner, tourism has far "outlumped" most of the rest of El Salvador's depressed economy, falling to eighth from third position in three years. Tourist revenue was \$20 million in 1978 compared with \$3.5 million last year.

American tourists, have proved the least willing to chance their luck in this Central American republic.

Apart from neighboring countries, the United States until a few years ago was El Salvador's biggest market, providing 45,000 visitors in 1978.

But fewer than 4,000 Americans with their all important dollars arrived for holidays in El Salvador last year and no change in the trend is expected this year.

Mendez said his country had received a raw deal from the international media and said that no foreign tourist had been killed or holiday center attacked by guerrillas since the upsurge of violence began.

"You have a greater chance of being killed walking down a New York street at night but that doesn't prevent tourists from going there," said Mendez, surrounded by posters extolling the beauty of El Salvador.

Tourist attractions of this tiny country with its volcanoes, Mayan ruins, tropical climate and Pacific beaches are obvious.

El Salvador is also well placed between the lucrative North and South American markets with about eight international airlines passing through the country's eight international airports passing through the country's new airport.

"We are closer to the northeastern states of the U.S. than is most of California," Mendez said.

He said that the institute had turned increasingly to countries like Brazil, Argentina and Venezuela to fill at least part of the gap left by the virtual complete loss of the American market. Mendez said he cannot entirely give up hope of a return of U.S. vacationers and the institute is trying to persuade the State Department to drop its "no-go" rating from its official travel advisory.

Mendez said the ruling, made in 1979, meant that most American life insurance policies were void during the holders stay in El Salvador.

"We all know that some Americans will hardly go their front door without checking their policies so this is obviously a blow to us," he said.

The slump in tourism is also seen clearly in the hotels and restaurants of the capital which has seen much less violence in recent months than once was common. Hotel occupancy averages only 30 percent and a dozen hotels and restaurants have been forced to close through lack of business.

No figures are obtainable, but only a fraction of the nearly 200,000 people whose jobs ultimately depended on tourism are now in work.

"We have a nice restaurant with a pleasant atmosphere and tasty food but what can I do if there are no tourists about and local people are timid about coming out at night?" one owner asked.

While Mendez predicted no rise in foreign tourism in the short term, he said the slump had forced the institute to promote domestic tourism far more intensely and results are promising.

"All is not yet lost and we have great plans for when the political upheaval finally ends, as one day it must," he said.

Kingdom's folk artifacts go on two-year U.S. tour

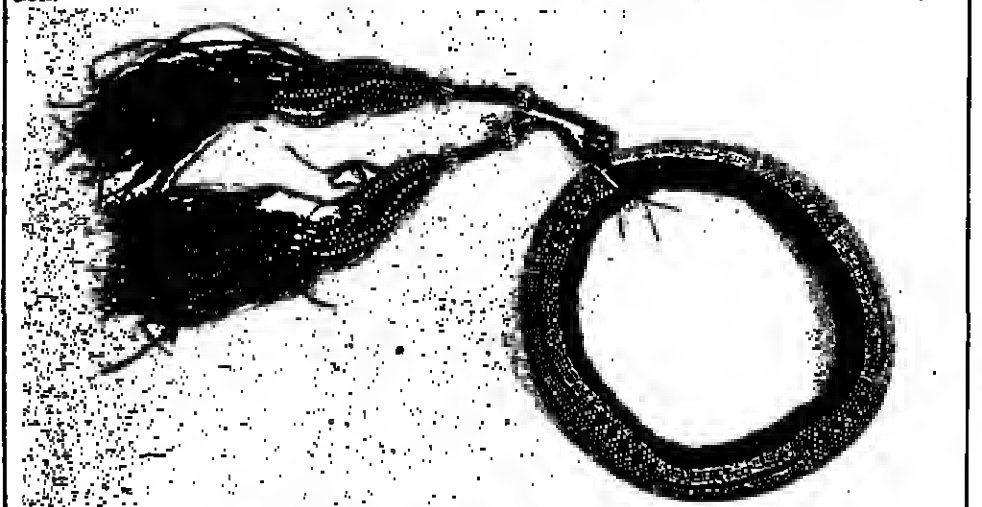
By Kay Hardy Campbell

WASHINGTON — For the next two years, thousands of Americans in several key U.S. cities, will have the opportunity to view the unique crafts of Saudi Arabia traditional every day life. An extensive collection of 150 Saudi Arabian traditional folk artifacts will soon go on a Smithsonian-sponsored tour of several United States cities.

"Bedouin and Village Arts and Crafts of Saudi Arabia" will open March 12 at the Memorial Art Gallery at the University of Rochester in Rochester, New York, where the exhibit was organized from its inception.

The exhibit is based on the personal collection of Mr. John M. Topham of Rochester, New York. Topham spent several years traveling through the Kingdom on business, and gathered the unique collection in his spare time.

Woven artifacts are the highlight of the exhibit. Several types of tent fabrics, hand woven by bedouin women, along with blankets and saddle bags will be featured. Included in the collection are household items once used in traditional bedouin homes, utilitarian objects from village and nomadic life, and handicrafts. Men's and women's traditional costumes are also featured.



DANCE ORNAMENT: A woman's sagal dance ornament is an artifact dating from about 1900. It is made of tightly woven leather strips and silver beads. It is just one of many artifacts which will be displayed during a U.S. tour.

Beating the overwhelmed system

Personal contacts are highly valued, on the subcontinent they mean a lot

By Tyler Marshall

NEW DELHI, India (LAT) — Low on ready cash, a British traveler arrived in a dusty north India town recently only to be told the banks had closed 15 minutes earlier. "No problem," announced the traveler's taxi driver. "I have a friend who works at the State Bank."

Within minutes, the traveler had been ushered through the bank's rear entrance, given a cup of after-hours tea and had his traveler's checks cashed — all thanks to the personal bond between driver and teller.

Highly irregular by Western standards, the incident merely underscored the fact that routine incidents of life in South Asia turn on the personal touch.

As the age of computer telephone voices, self-service banking and industrial robots descends on the west, personal contact remains the grease that makes the subcontinent run, more important than official regulations, more efficient than modern technology.

Although the strong influence of personal contact is characteristic of many Third World societies, in most cases, the pressures of modernization usually diminish its importance.

On the subcontinent, however, it has proven surprisingly resistant to such change.

Whether making a long distance telephone call, booking an airline ticket, or simply expediting routine office work, the personal touch is usually a prerequisite for action. A lesson Khushwant Singh, a member of India's upper house of parliament, recently relearned.

After several hours of trying unsuccessfully to telephone Pakistan, India's Islamic western neighbor, Singh struck up a conversation with the international operator.

"The operator said he was a Muslim and had been trying for months to get a visa to visit Pakistan," Singh recalled. "I told him if he got the call I'd get him a visa."

The call was completed within minutes.

When New Delhi municipal workers arrived at a local factory recently to cut off electricity and water supplies because of delinquent payments, the owner chatted amiably with them, occasionally dropping the first name of their immediate superior, a personal friend.

After a few minutes the workmen quickly decided other victims on their list for disconnections constituted a more pressing need. Understandably the only thing better than a friend for expedience is a relative.

When a crowd of Western newsmen tried to bribe or beg their way onto an overbooked Indian airlines flight to Kabul in the first days after the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, the only reporter who got on that flight offered neither money nor rhetoric.

The journalist's boarding pass came compliments of an Indian Airlines ticket agent, who happened to be brother of the reporter's

office assistant.

The importance of personal contacts in modern India reflects the high value placed on them.

New Delhi psychologist Sudhir stressed that forming and cementing a personal bond is more important than work or performance to most Indians.

"Personal relationships are what life is about," Kakkar said. "Consequently, impersonal activities simply don't function well here," he said.

Anyone familiar with the lethargy that grips India's overmanned bureaucracy would agree.

Boldly written exhortations on dust-covered files in any Indian office such as "urgent," "most immediate," "out today," "invoke no anxiety or movement at all in the average office clerk."

"If the matter is really urgent, he knows someone will come in person to see him or his superior, then there will be time to bestir oneself," said Delhi University sociologist Abdré Beteille, who has written extensively on the role of personal ties in modern India.

The importance of personal contacts makes those without them vulnerable. Consequently, anyone moving from one city to another tries quickly to establish himself.

Beteille noted a highly developed grapevine that operates in large cities like Bombay, Madras and Calcutta helping immigrants from rural areas contact prominent residents.

"In times of need, they can call on such persons and ask for favors on the strength of their common provenance," Beteille said.

The sense of obligation inherent in any such relationship far exceeds that in the West, and foreigners are often stunned by seemingly improper requests of casual acquaintances.

One woman traveling to London from New Delhi was asked to bring back a complete set of crockery for 24.

Beteille believes personal relationships in urbanized India have retained their importance partly because of this obligation.

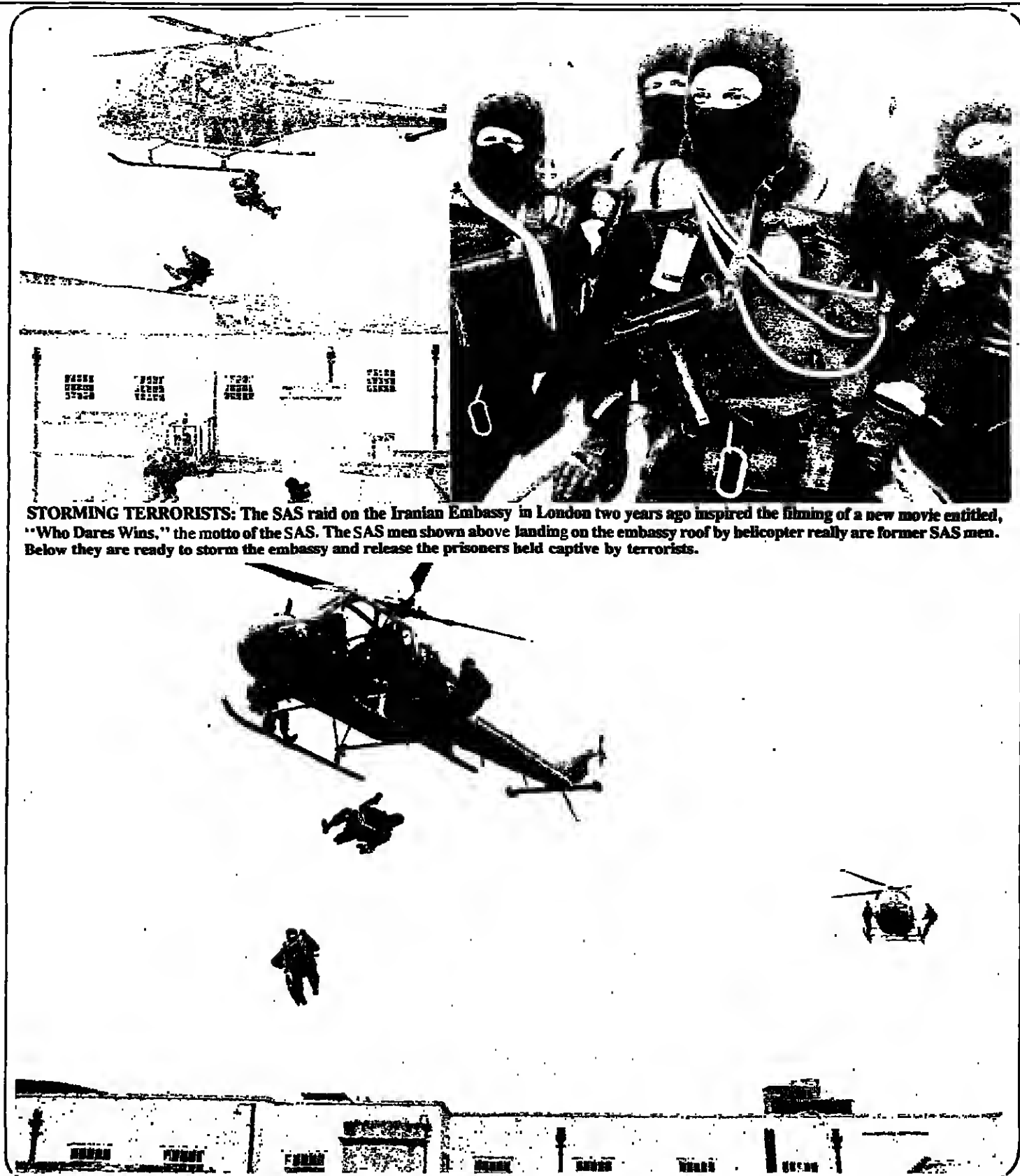
In the constant scramble for goods and services in a country where both are in critically short supply, a well-placed friend can provide a vital advantage.

"How else do you operate in a system where 30 people are vying for every different situation that comes up?" Beteille asked.

"If you just wait your turn, the likelihood of getting what you want is remote, so you try to beat the system," he said.

Foreigners quickly learn that in instead of making reservations early, the best way to ensure getting a ticket — whether it be to popular movie or on a crowded flight — is to have a cup of tea with the agent or his superior.

The high value placed on friendships, coupled with their importance in an economy of shortages also has its seamy side: rampant nepotism and corruption.



STORMING TERRORISTS: The SAS raid on the Iranian Embassy in London two years ago inspired the filming of a new movie entitled, "Who Dares Wins," the motto of the SAS. The SAS men shown above landing on the embassy roof by helicopter really are former SAS men. Below they are ready to storm the embassy and release the prisoners held captive by terrorists.

Ecosystem maintains healthy oceans

Watson sees himself as a 'world cop' battling to protect all sea mammals

By Paul Dean

LOS ANGELES (LAT) — Paul Watson, a block-stocky Canadian with a rusted and battered ship, conceivably could kill or be killed in defense of whales. He has come close to both fatalities. Two years ago, his unarmed *Man-o-War* deliberately twice rammed the *Sierra*, a Japanese-owned, convenience-registered whaler off Portugal. Three frogmen (Watson Coyle insists they were sympathizers for his cause, not members of his crew) later finished off the *Sierra* with a limpet mine.

Then that same trio of eco-guerrillas dove into the harbor at Marin, near Vigo, Spain, and blasted the bottoms out of two more whalers, the *Isaba I* and the *Absa II*.

Watson, 31, has handcuffed himself to sealers' winch cables and been dragged across ice floes and freezing waters in Labrador to hamper Canada's annual slaughter of harp seals. Under his command, a kamikaze fleet of Zodiac rubber boats once put themselves between whalers and whales off the California coast.

This summer, his 200-foot trawler *Sea Shepherd II* played chicken in runs against a Soviet destroyer and through a shower of flares dropped by armed helicopters.

He has gone hand-to-hand to wrestle clubs and rifles from seal hunters and trespassed on Russian soil in the Bering Strait to photograph whale meat allegedly ready for mulching into mink food. He will present these pictures as evidence of Russian environmental routine to a meeting of the International Whaling Commission in London this summer.

Watson makes no apologies for his behavior. "We don't regard ourselves as radicals but conservatives," he says of his ship, its 28-man crew and the 4,000-member *Sea*

Shepherd Conservation Society he heads. "The whaling industry is radical. If we're militant, so is everybody in the pentagon. And I don't think we're irresponsible, but very responsible. If men can risk their lives for pieces of real estate, who can condemn us for fighting from a sense of planetary duty to save a species?"

Elaborating, or possibly justifying his commitment, Watson says he is a soldier in a war to end the exploitation of all sea mammals.

He also sees himself as a world cop with neither mandate nor portfolio; a citizen arster enforcing laws written by the IWC, which establishes quotas and seasons but is powerless to police them.

Group's Means Questioned
Save the whales. One people, one planet. The slogans and the ends are Watson's and about as difficult to disagree as they boy scout oab. His means, however, have not been universally applauded by all governments and other environmental groups.

In 1977, he was cashiered from the Greenpeace Foundation — a group Watson helped expand — for getting physical with those seal hunters. The Portuguese and Spanish governments have warrants out for Watson's arrest on sabotage charges. His own Canadian government fined him, jailed him and stuck him with three year's probation for interfering with a federally-licensed seal hunt; an injustice, Watson says, that made him elect to live in self-exile in Hawaii and headquarter his organization there.

Conservationists Finance Him
On the other hand, conservationist-journalist Cleveland Amory and his Fund for Animals have heavily financed Watson's ways, including ship purchases. So has Britain's prestigious Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and similar

associations in the United States and Canada. This privateer in a Royal Navy sweater and his vigilantes are talk-show regulars: Warner Bros. recently purchased film rights to Watson's autobiography; and there is no shortage of able-bodied idealists willing to pay \$1,000 for the privilege of joining Watson's crew.

Enough blind eyes are being turned to *Sea Shepherd*'s shenanigans that the British government may soon reclassify the ex-cod trawler (a veteran of hot skirmishes in the Icelandic cod wars) as a "combat vessel." That will make it eligible for free berthage at world ports of call.

Japan Next Front
And soon Watson, his five-nationality crew and the *Sea Shepherd II* flying all five national ensigns, will slip their Honolulu mooring and sail for Japan's Iki Island.

They will arrive in time to interfere with the killing of an estimated 5,000 dolphins that Watson says will be pulped into animal fodder and fertilizer. They are prepared to slash nets, cut off berthing boats and stand by to repel boarders by the passive expedients of a greased hull, fire hoses and barbed wire walls rising 10-feet from the *Sea Shepherd*'s gunwales.

The mission is no secret. Watson has served notice of its intentions on the Japanese government. In December, he picketed the Japanese consulate in Los Angeles with a demonstration somewhat short on dignity because it involved slicing the Japanese flag with a samurai sword — on Pearl Harbor day. In better taste, Watson wrote to Japanese Ambassador Yosio Okawara in Washington and offered to pay the fishermen of Iki \$100 for every dolphin spared during the upcoming season — a considerable markup on the going market price of \$85 per dolphin.

Watson has received no replies beyond an informal, spoken warning from a consulate officer that he will be "severely dealt with" *Sea Shepherd* hampers the hunt. Will that mean shooting or military intervention?

The skipper thinks not. Watson believes his humanitarian cause is his protection.

Watson is the complete, consummate conservationist. He is a vegetarian and no meat meals are prepared on his ship. A woven hemp belt circles his waist because he believes no animal should die so that a man can keep his pants up. He does, however, confess to owning one pair of leather boots.

Saving sea mammals saturates his thinking. With little prompting he trots out all the horror stories of seal pups being skinned alive, the shrieks from dying whales and the savaging of mother seals protecting their young.

Will the world really be brought to an end by the extinction of whales, dolphins and seals? Watson's eyes glow at such heresy:

"To have a healthy ocean we have to have a healthy ecosystem. Sea mammals keep the oceans alive and if we don't save the oceans we're dead. Eighty percent of our oxygen comes from them. Climate control, food ... the oceans are essential to our survival on earth."

Arab News welcomes readers' contributions, particularly of a local aspect. If interested, please contact Dave Kaiser at 653-4743 or 653-2911, Jeddah.

SEA-SERVICING

SIGNS & SYMPTOMS
DID YOU CHECK THE WATER IN YOUR RADIATOR TODAY? SHORTAGE OF WATER IS A COMMON CAUSE OF OVERHEATING, OWING TO THE DRIVER NOT TOPPING-UP OR A LEAK IN THE SYSTEM. IF YOU FIND YOU HAVE TO TOP-UP FREQUENTLY CHECK FOR LEAKS:—

- 1 LOOK FOR SIGNS OF OIL IN THE COOLING WATER OR WATER IN THE OIL (DROPS ON THE DIPSTICK) INDICATING LEAKAGE FROM A FAULTY CYLINDER HEAD GASKET. WATCH ALSO FOR DRIPS FROM THE WATER PUMP.
- 2 TOP & BOTTOM HOSES. REMOVE AND EXAMINE THOROUGHLY INSIDE AND OUT FOR DAMAGE OR DETERIORATION. WORM DRIVE CLIPS SHOULD MAKE A TIGHT, SECURE JOINT WITHOUT CUTTING INTO THE HOSE.
- 3 THE RADIATOR CAP WITH ITS SPRING-LOADED VALVE KEEPS THE SYSTEM UNDER PRESSURE TO RAISE THE BOILING POINT OF THE WATER. A FAULTY VALVE WILL ALLOW WATER TO ESCAPE THRO' THE OVERFLOW. HAVE IT PRESSURE TESTED OR REPLACE WITH ONE OF THE SAME PRESSURE RATING.

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MORE ON THE COOLING SYSTEM

Tobacco smoke endangers smokers, non-smokers

Lungs trap indoor air pollutants, illness results

By Sandy Rovner

WASHINGTON (WP) — If we could do away with breathing, we might be a lot healthier. Sure, the air outside at the moment is crisp and clean, washed by the snow and whooshed by the wind. So try to remember to take a few deep breaths when you're outside. Because inside air may be a problem... down-right lethal in some cases, right in your own office, right in your own house, right in that fancy restaurant.

People have lungs to perform a number of functions, the primary one being exchanging oxygen for carbon dioxide.

And lungs, being more exposed to the outside than anything else in the body (except the skin), have all sorts of sophisticated defense mechanisms.

Dr. Alfred Munzer, pulmonary specialist and director of critical care at Washington Adventist Hospital likes to describe the human respiratory system in a two-minute anatomy lesson.

Noxious Agents Overwhelming

"The lung's defense mechanisms are really very fascinating," he says, "but even these

can be overwhelmed when exposed to excessive amounts of noxious agents."

The system, as we all know, starts with the nose.

"It humidifies the air we breathe, filters gross particles and brings the air to body temperatures. But smokers bypass this mechanism... I tell patients that at least if they won't stop smoking they should try smoking through a nostril."

Other gross particles are filtered in the trachea, which subdivides into bronchi — major air passages — and keeps branching off into literally millions of tiny little air sacs called alveoli where the exchange of oxygen for carbon dioxide takes place.

The branching of the bronchi offers a defense in itself. But in addition, cells lining it include those secreting mucous and others with tiny, constantly waving hairs called cilia. "Anything that gets past the nose, past the bronchi network, can be trapped by the cilia and carried back out."

There are two distinct types of mucous in the passages — one type traps particles for the cilia to send back. The other dissolves water-soluble gasses, some of which are indoor air pollutants. This mucous also contains

antibodies that fight specific infections. Finally, in the alveoli themselves are found irregularly shaped mobile cells called macrophages. "They are scavenger cells attracted to foreign particles that get into the alveoli. They can ingest (these particles) and can kill bacterial organisms."

Smoking Effects Non-Smokers

All of this is important to know to understand, for example, why people who smoke or are around other smokers tend to get more upper respiratory tract infections than others.

Tobacco smoke, and several other substances including ozone and alcohol, can damage these defenses of the last line of lung defense.

Says Munzer, "the insidious effects of indoor pollutants are not merely that they are direct agents to the respiratory tract, but that they also interfere with the defense mechanisms of the lung, making the lung more susceptible to other offending agents."

Side-Stream Smoke A Culprit

Munzer, past president of the D.C. Lung Association, was a participant at a recent Lung Association seminar on indoor pollution.

Tobacco smoke is still probably the chief culprit for smokers and non-smokers as well. New studies have indicted so-called side-stream smoke in respiratory ailments especially in children of smoking parents as well as in adults with other breathing problems — Allergies, asthma, cardiovascular problems for example.

Many Other Pollutants

But there were also discussions of other common pollutants in the work place and at home, a situation exacerbated by efforts to conserve fuel and lower fuel costs.

Some of these were outlined by James Frazier, staff officer on a recent major report by the National Academy of Sciences on Indoor Pollution: by Joel Makower, author of *Office Hazards: How Your Job Can Make You Sick*; by Thomas Conry, a chemist with the Environmental Action Foundation; and James Repace, a specialist in indoor air pollution.

Poor Ventilation

Breathing the air in poorly ventilated offices and many homes is "like everybody in the house taking a bath in the same water," says Makower. Everyone's germs are shared. Toxic gases and radiations, as well as fungi and molds, can come from building materials, synthetic materials, poorly maintained copying machines, old ventilation systems or new ones that are set down to conserve fuel. Asbestos fibers are ubiquitous in older buildings and fiberglass and other insulation can be irritating, if not as potentially deadly as asbestos.

Formaldehyde, which can cause dizziness, headaches, rashes and respiratory problems in the short run, and possibly even cancer in the long run, has become such a problem that a national organization devoted specifically to its victims has been formed. The group, called Suffer — for "Save Us From Formaldehyde Exposure Repercussions" — keeps members alert to new uses for the chemical. Formaldehyde is given off as a gas by many building materials, new flooring, paper products, fabric finishes and many other products. It is included in some products — room deodorizers, for example — because it deadens the sense of smell.

Pollution Mixtures Harmful

One of the problems brought out at the seminar: There is too little knowledge about what really constitutes pollution. Some people may be sensitive to certain substances at certain levels and others may have no reaction at higher levels. Certain mixtures of potential pollutants may cause significantly more harm than either alone in even greater quantities. One thing the report of the Academy of Science made clear was the need for much more research and much more education.

Another Look

Good News and Bad News

By Robert Yoakum

Every year at about this time I provide a survey of good and bad news, as follows:

GOOD NEWS: The inflation rate is going down.

BAD NEWS: So is production and employment.

GOOD NEWS: Cures for cancer, heart trouble, arthritis, and many other diseases were announced this year.

BAD NEWS: The announcements appeared in the *National Enquirer*.

GOOD NEWS: Soviet troops didn't invade Poland.

BAD NEWS: They didn't have to.

GOOD NEWS: Mrs. Susan Benjamin, who lives in a Chicago suburb, received two 8-by-10 glossy and autographed photographs of President and Mrs. Reagan, a letter extolling voluntarism, and a recipe for crabmeat casserole.

BAD NEWS: Mrs. Benjamin, whose two sons have learning disabilities, had actually written to the president to protest budget cuts that threatened special education for the handicapped.

GOOD NEWS: As indicated above, President Reagan urged Americans to support voluntarism. He also asked the wealthy to boost their contributions to charity and appointed a panel to study the subject.

BAD NEWS: In 1980 the Reagan contributions to tax-deductible causes came to only \$3,089, or less than 1.4 percent of their \$227,968 adjusted gross income.

GOOD NEWS: More than 34,000 new books were published in the U.S. last year.

BAD NEWS: The average American author earned less than \$5 an hour.

GOOD NEWS: The Arizona Department of Economic Security was asked to find piece goods workers who could do a rush job sewing 500 robes for a caller who identified himself as "an equal opportunity employer."

BAD NEWS: An investigation revealed that the employer was the Ku Klux Klan.

GOOD NEWS: A truck driver proved again that America is the land of opportunity by working his way up to a job that pays \$225,000 a year.

BAD NEWS: The truck driver is Roy Williams, who was under indictment for bribery at the time he was elected president of the crime-ridden Teamsters union.

GOOD NEWS: Polls once again showed a

majority of Americans favored stronger gun control laws — especially for handguns — and the Reagan administration supported a new gun control law.

BAD NEWS: The new Reagan law would weaken existing laws and abolish the Bureau of Tobacco and Firearms.

GOOD NEWS: The *New York Times Magazine* recently ran an article, entitled "What's Wrong with Reagan's Foreign Policy?"

BAD NEWS: It was by Zbigniew Brzezinski.

GOOD NEWS: A woman in the Rio de Janeiro suburb of Sao Goncalo gave birth to a healthy 8-pound, 2-ounce baby boy.

BAD NEWS: She gave birth immediately after disrupting a wedding by announcing that she and the bridegroom — who was marrying someone else — had lived together for the past 10 years. A fight broke out between the families of the bride and groom, which continued until broken up by the police.

GOOD NEWS: President Reagan's cuts in domestic spending included some programs that were wasteful.

BAD NEWS: Cost overruns alone for 47 major weapons systems in one quarter of the past fiscal year were greater than all reductions made in domestic spending.

GOOD NEWS: The Tennessee Department of Public Health is handing out free pills.

BAD NEWS: The pills are potassium iodide tablets, to be taken — if time permits — in case of a serious accident at a nuclear power plant.

GOOD NEWS: A plan to increase economic aid from wealthy nations to the 31 poorest nations was worked out at a U.N. conference in September.

BAD NEWS: No timetable was set for providing the aid.

FURTHER BAD NEWS: The current level of such aid is \$6.7 billion a year — the amount spent annually by Americans on diet drinks.

GOOD NEWS: Americans are so well fed that in the course of a lifetime the average person will eat approximately 350 cows and 225 lambs.

BAD NEWS: ...for 350 cows, and 225 lambs.

Wednesday, Feb. 24: "The Advantages Of Atomic War"

BEWARE THE FULL MOON



By Peter J. Steincrohn M.D., F.A.C.P.

Dear Dr. Steincrohn: Is there anything to all this garbage that the full moon has an effect on our emotions? For example, there's a radio talk-show host in our town who's sure to say, "Considering all these crazy questions and answers, there must be a full moon out tonight." For years I've been hearing that the moon really affects us. — Mrs. M.

Dear Mrs. M.: I believe that the moon's magnetism surely must have some effect on how we behave when it's full. In addition, you'll be surprised to learn that the full moon also acts on our physical state, too.

For example, Dr. Ralph W. Morris of the University of Illinois Medical Center in Chicago has made an interesting report in the *JAMA Medical News*.

Preliminary data from 38 patients indicate that ulcers are more likely to bleed before the full moon. He also reported that 64 percent of angina pectoris attacks experienced by 88 patients occurred between the full and last quarter moon.

Why does this happen? One theory is that the magnetic interaction between earth and moon may involve human physiological and psychological changes. Some of us, more than others, should beware the full moon. — Mrs. M.

MEDICALETTES

(Replies to and from readers)

For Mrs. U.: Perhaps your dosage of estrogens is too high. According to a recent medical symposium, the proper balance of lowered amounts of estrogen and progesterone may lower the probability of high blood pressure as a complication. Why not check the dosage with your doctor?

Dear Dr. Steincrohn: Is it possible that my depression, which lasted over a year, was the reason why I became unhappy in my marriage and asked for a divorce? Now that I'm feeling better, both my husband and I would like to save our marriage. — Mrs. P.

Dear Mrs. P.: I hope it works out well. You, and others like you, should know that as many as 50 percent of all divorces can be traced to untreated depression in one or both partners. Depression may last for a year or longer. Rather than waiting for time to heal it, under a doctor's care patients should receive psychotherapy, antidepressant drugs and relaxation techniques.

The family physician should learn to detect depression in its early stages to prevent family and social disruptions. He should

suspect any patient who complains of many symptoms which do not fit into any recognizable pattern.

Here are some characteristic symptoms of depression often overlooked: loss of weight, changes in appetite, insomnia, irritability, loss of sex interest, palpitations and various aches and pains. These should arouse suspicion.

Dear Dr. Steincrohn: My doctor says I need a hysterectomy. But instead of wanting to perform the usual abdominal hysterectomy, he advises that I have the vaginal operation. Isn't this a rare method of removing the uterus? — Mrs. U.

Dear Mrs. U.: Not rare. The abdominal route is usually chosen if a large uterine tumor is present or when ovaries are to be removed. One reason for doing a vaginal hysterectomy is because a prolapse of the uterus is present that requires repair.

Whatever the choice, the doctor has many reasons for deciding on his method of surgery. Incidentally, patients who have had vaginal hysterectomy usually have a shorter convalescence. They get back to work sooner.

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As money supply dips

American interest rates decline

NEW YORK, Feb. 20 (R) — Interest rates fell back on U.S. money markets after the New York Federal Reserve Bank reported that the closely-watched M-1 measure of money supply declined by \$3.1 billion last week.

Yields on three-month treasury bills closed half a percentage point lower on Friday at 13 percent.

Foreign exchange dealers said the money supply figures hardened convictions that the Federal Reserve Board, the U.S. central bank, would not take actions pushing interest rates even higher.

The decline in M-1 surprised the financial markets, which had expected little change to be reported. It partially reversed some previous sharp increases, but M-1 is still running well above the Federal Reserve Board's target of a growth of between 2.5 and 5.5 percent.

Boeing makes maiden flight

SEATTLE, Feb. 20 (AP) — Boeing's newest entry in commercial aviation, the \$35 million twin-engine 757, made its maiden flight Friday, thundering off a runway at Renton Municipal Airport.

The blue and white plane was aloft for 2½ hours at the hands of two test pilots. The flight ended with a smooth landing at Paine field north of Seattle.

Thousands standing on the ground and on rooftops at the Boeing plant in Renton, south of Seattle, cheered as the plane rolled down the mile-long runway. It kicked up spray and noise into blue skies.

The craft climbed over Lake Washington and then banked and flew over Puget Sound. At the controls were John H. Armstrong, the pilot for the 757 program, and S.L. Wallick, the co-pilot who is Boeing's director of flight tests and chief test pilot.

cent for 1982. William Melton, money market economist at Irving Trust Company of New York, said the decline "was better than expected, but the key question is whether this is a trend."

The price of gold fell in New York Friday to its lowest since September 1979, but recovered in late trading on the U.S. West Coast after announcement of the money supply figures. It closed at \$364.5 an ounce in New York, but was later traded at \$366.25 on the west coast. Traders said reports Thursday of gold sales by the Soviet Union had prompted selling by other holders of gold.

Meanwhile on Friday President Reagan reiterated his optimism that his economic program would result in lower interest rates in the next few months. Speaking to a group of editors at the White House, Reagan said he remained confident interest rates would

come down although there might be some fluctuations.

"Interest rates have come down..." he said. "And I think they are going to come down further in the next several months" as the program of further tax and spending cuts took hold.

The president said the interest rates might be a little volatile here and there, but they are going to come down. He said this would help the two hardest-hit U.S. industries car manufacturing and home building.

Lower interest rates also would greatly please European leaders who have been complaining that the high rates paid by U.S. banks lure funds out of Europe, choking recovery there. Several major banks this week increased the prime rate, the rate at which they lend to their most creditworthy customers, by half a point to 17 percent.

Japan may lend U.S. \$50b

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20 (AFP) — A Japanese-American businessman says that Japan's private sector may be willing to make the United States a loan of as much as \$50 billion to get the U.S. economy back on its feet.

The proposal will be examined Monday by the Association of American State Governors during a meeting of its committee for international exchanges, an association spokesman said Friday.

The idea was presented by U.S.-Asia Institute president Kay Sugahara, 72, and has been circulated by letter to all state governors by Florida governor and Association president Bob Graham.

Sugahara said he expected to receive a list of possible investment targets for his "partnership for prosperity" plan from the governors within two weeks.

Then he plans to go to Japan next month to present the list to the government and local businessmen, who he says are interested in

the plan. Sugahara said the Japanese loans could total from \$10 billion to \$50 billion, and would be restricted to "profitable" investments with a U.S. participation of at least 60 percent.

"What we want are projects that create jobs in America. It's the loss of jobs that create ill-will," Sugahara added, referring to some U.S. claims that Japanese competition is costing some Americans employment.

Defending the idea, Graham said the U.S. trade deficit with Japan "threatens to undermine the future of U.S.-Japanese trade unless it is redressed."

He added that the loan, at preferential interest rates, would be used on investments to bolster the U.S. economic infrastructure, such as port improvements or high-speed rail links similar to those in Japan.

An association spokesman said Sugahara would present the proposal Monday as a better idea than others aimed at reducing economic tensions between the two countries, such as a Japanese "\$10 billion purchase of arms".

The promoters of the project have not been identified, but the spokesman said they wanted to brush up the image of Japan in the United States.

The proposals were received with caution by U.S. officials here Saturday. A senior official concerned with trade questions told AFP the proposal "must not conceal the lack of access of American products in Japan" which he said was the "fundamental cause of the existing problems".

Pakistan to set up small car plant

ISLAMABAD, Feb. 20 (PTI) — After years of indiscriminate import of big and small foreign cars, Pakistan has now decided to go in for its own little car with Japanese aid. The country now makes cycles, assemblies scooters and spent an estimated \$170 million on the import of 77,000 cars between July 1977 and June 1980.

Now initial approval has been given for a \$42 million rupee project for the progressive manufacture of the Suzuki car as also van, pick-up and jeep. To begin with state-owned Pakistan automobile corporation (PACO) will assemble about 25,000 vehicles annually, but locally made content is planned to be raised to 80 percent in five or six years.

Under the proposed agreement expected to be signed in April, Suzuki will provide 1.5 million dollars by way of equity and \$10 million as credit for tools and jigs and another \$13.77 million in foreign exchange would be raised through loans.

China to keep control over oil production

PEKING, Feb. 20 (R) — China must use foreign capital to exploit its offshore oil reserves but it retains control of all resources and output, a Chinese oil official said Saturday.

Qin Wencai, president of the newly-formed China National Offshore Oil Corporation, told the *China Daily*: "In the areas we work in cooperation with foreigners, all the resources and output are owned by us. The size of the area and the choice of our partners are for us to decide."

China has just issued regulations defining the terms under which 46 international oil companies will be able to bid for rights to explore offshore areas for oil.

On Wednesday, Qin's corporation, which is in charge of bidding, exploration and development of any commercial fields, released detailed maps of the areas to be bid for. He said the program would "involve relatively great risks both technically and financially. China finds it difficult to undertake the task at present."

It has been estimated that financing China's offshore development program could cost \$20 billion. China has said foreign partners must fund the exploration phase entirely themselves. It will enter the joint ventures at the production stage.

Angola abounds in oil reserves

SALISBURY, Feb. 20 (AFP) — Angola's oil reserves are sufficient to meet a "substantial portion" of the needs of the black states of southern Africa, Zimbabwe Energy Minister Simba Makoni said Saturday on his return from a regional meeting in Luanda.

The one-week first meeting of the energy commission of the nine-nation Southern African Development Coordination Conference (SADCC) — which closed Thursday — had recognized that supplies of oil and oil products to the region were a matter of urgency, Makoni said. Presently, these supplies came from sources outside the region.

The energy ministers had therefore decided to carry out a study of regional needs, procurement, refining, marketing and pricing, and were seeking external finance to make the study, Makoni said.

He said that in addition to Angola's known reserves, there were strong indications of oil deposits in Mozambique and Tanzania, also SADCC members.

Malaysia to canvass tin cartel plan

KUALA LUMPUR, Feb. 20 (AP) — Malaysia is sending a special mission to tin producing countries to explain in detail its proposal to form a tin producers association, Malaysian Deputy Prime Minister Musa Hitam told a news conference Saturday night.

The major tin producing countries are Indonesia, Thailand, Bolivia, Australia and Malaysia.

Minister of Primary Industries Paul Leong Khee Seong will visit Bangkok soon to discuss the proposal with Thai leaders, Musa told reporters on his return from a four-day official visit to Indonesia where the proposal for the association was discussed with Indonesian leaders.

The deputy prime minister described the response from Indonesian leaders to the Malaysia's proposal to establish the body and other alternative action to stabilize the tin price as encouraging. Indonesia had assured Malaysia that it would look into Malaysia's proposals in greater detail, he said.

He pointed out that since it was a new idea,

Financial Roundup

Dollar rates touch new low

By J.H. Hammond

JEDDAH, Feb. 20 — The dollar closed much weaker against almost all other major currencies in the Friday New York bourses. The major effect was the release of the U.S. money supply figures which showed the first significant drop for this year. M1 fell back by \$3.1 billion for the last reporting week and the effect of this was to place greater pressure on dollar interest rates to ease further. Dollar deposits declined by as much as ½ percent in some instances, taking the one-month rate to 15 1/16-15 3/16 percent compared with 15 9/16 percent Thursday.

In the bullion markets, gold prices closed at a two year low with prices tumbling to \$367.50 levels Friday. Locally, riyal deposit rates were also weaker, with one-month JIBOR opening at 14½-15 percent but later falling back to 13½-13¾ percent by close of business.

The release of the weekly U.S. money supply figures unsettled an already nervous money market that had earlier seen Euro-dollar deposit levels fall back by between 1/16-1/8 percent on early trading. While the major U.S. commercial banks stuck to their higher prime lending rate of 17 percent announced in mid-week, yet broker loan rates were cut back by ½ percent and the Federal Reserve "Fed funds" rate closed at 14 percent — a fall of 2 percent over one

week.

The only uncertainty that remained concerned the size of the U.S. federal deficit and its likely impact on long term U.S. interest rates. This helped Eurodollar deposit rates remained at present levels otherwise the general feeling was for more falls. The one-year rate is now quoted at 15 5/16-15 7/16 percent — a full one percent drop over Tuesday rates.

In the New York exchanges, the Japanese yen was exceptionally strong at 230.50 levels which showed a 1000 points rise over early week rates of 240.10. The German mark was helped by buying support and commercial demand which took the closing rate to 2.3500 from 2.3800 and the Swiss franc was similarly helped to close at 1.8700 compared with 1.8900 levels.

In other currency news, the British pound was much stronger at 1.8600 compared with 1.8500 while the French franc moved up to 5.9800 from 6.0400 levels.

Locally, spot riyal/dollar rates opened at a rather optimistically high level of 3.4200-10 but later fell back 3.4195-05 as institution digested the results of the dollar's New York falls. In the money markets, riyal deposit rates fell back by the close of the trading session to take the one-year level to 13¾-14¼ from 14¼-14¾ and the week fixed to 12-13 percent from levels of 13-14 percent on opening.

If it's De Beers, diamonds are forever

LONDON, Feb. 20 (AFP) — The South African De Beers diamond giant will handle marketing of most of the output from the huge diamond mine discovered at Ashton in Western Australia two years ago, if the Australian government agrees.

An agreement in principle along these lines has been announced by the Rio Tinto Zinc group which is involved in exploitation of the mine through its subsidiary C.R.A. This company has a 57 percent stake in the Ashton joint venture owning consortium. De Beers handles the marketing of between 70 and 80 percent of the world diamond market, including Soviet sales.

Dealers had feared that competitive marketing from the Ashton mine could upset the market which De Beers controls through strict monitoring of sales to diamond cutters. But the accord will not prevent Ashton from establishing its own cutting and polishing center in Australia, as it plans to do.

The agreement will be valid initially for five years after the beginning of production, exp-

ected in 1985. The deal gives De Beers rights over output except quality stones. De Beers will take 75 percent of the remainder, which will be low quality, cheap stones known as "Indian goods," and industrial diamonds. The remaining 25 percent will be sold by Ashton on the world market. Rio Tinto Zinc said that quality diamonds will account for no more than 10 percent of total output.

Unofficial reports published in Australia, which the company has declined to confirm, have said that output could total 20 million carats a year. World natural diamond production currently stands at about 50 million carats.

Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 3:00 p.m. Saturday	SAMA	Cash	Transfer
Bahraini Dinar	9.00	9.00	9.00
Bangladesh Taka	—	—	15.40
Belgian Franc (1,000)	—	—	—
Canadian Dollar	—	—	283.00
Deutsche Mark (100)	146.10	146.00	146.00
Doit Gulder (100)	133.35	133.20	133.20
Egyptian Pound	3.49	3.52	3.52
Emirates Dirham (100)	93.00	93.15	93.15
French Franc (100)	57.65	57.50	57.50
Greek Drachma (1,000)	32.00	32.40	32.40
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	37.20
Iranian Ryal (100)	—	—	—
Israeli Dinar	6.50	—	—
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Spanish Peseta (1,000)	—	34.00	34.00
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To stay entrenched on top

Channon's goal sees Southampton thru

LONDON, Feb. 20 (R) — Outside the city itself, few take unfashionable Southampton's challenge for the English First Division soccer title seriously.

But Lawrie McMenemy's team of big-name veterans and talented youngsters continued to confound the critics with a 2-1 home win over West Ham Saturday to stay firmly entrenched at the top. With the experimental three points for a win in operation this season, Southampton's victory took them to the 50-point mark from 27 games.

Manchester United, one of England's glamor clubs, stayed second despite dropping two points at home in the goalless draw against Arsenal. United have two games in hand over Southampton but they now trail the leaders by four points. Swansea moved up to third place with a hard-fought 1-0 win at lowly Sunderland. Leigh James' 22nd minute goal boosted the Welsh club alongside United on 46 points but with an inferior goal difference.

Southampton, which has never won the First Division championship in its 97-year history, took the lead after 11 minutes when Dave Armstrong hammered home a glorious volley from 18 meters. But that was canceled out by a little bit of Belgian magic just five minutes later. Francois Van Der Elst, chasing a place in Belgium's World Cup squad, sped through the static Southampton defense and was pulled down in full flight by Malcolm

Waldron. Scottish fullback Ray Stewart colly snitted home the resultant penalty.

But Southampton were not to be denied. In the 38th minute Nick Holmes raced down the wing and his inch-perfect cross was headed home at the far post by ex-England international Mike Channon.

Mighty Ipswich and Liverpool, both with games in hand, still look Southampton's biggest dangers after moving into fifth and sixth places respectively. Ipswich won 2-0 at Leeds with goals from Mick Mill and Alan Brazil, who scored all five against Southampton in midweek, while Liverpool trounced Coventry 4-0 at home. Ipswich have 44 points with five games in hand over Southampton — two more points than Liverpool who have played three games fewer than the leaders.

Liverpool, knocked out of the F.A. Cup by Second Division Chelsea last Saturday and beaten at Swansea in midweek, surged back to its best against luckless Coventry. Captain Graeme Souness shot them ahead after just five minutes with one of his famous long-range thunderbolts and Sammy Lee made it two, eight minutes later.

Coventry goalkeeper Jim Blyth then enjoyed a brief respite as the European champions contented themselves with weaving pretty patterns in midfield. But just when the visitors looked as though they might claw their way back, Liverpool stuck again through Welshman Ian Rush in the 34th minute.



Mike Channon...heads in decisive goal

The second-half was all one-way traffic but a Terry McDermott snap shot in the 64th minute was all Liverpool had to show for its effort. But for the over-worked Blyth, it could have been 10.

Manchester City, fifth overnight, slipped two places after going down 2-0 at Tottenham in a repeat of last year's F.A. Cup final. Tottenham midfielder Glenn Hoddle boosted his World Cup prospects by scoring both goals.

Soccer results

English Division One		
Birmingham City	0	Aston Villa 1
Brighton	0	Nottingham Forest 1
Leeds	0	Ipswich 0
Liverpool	4	Coventry 0
Manchester United	0	Arsenal 0
Nottingham	0	Wolverhampton 0
Southampton	2	West Ham 1
Stoke City	2	Middlesbrough 1
Sunderland	0	Swansea 1
Tottenham	2	Manchester City 0
West Bromwich	0	Everton 0
Division Two		
Bolton Wanderers	0	Rotherham 1
Cambridge	0	Oldham Athletic 0
Cardiff	0	Barnsley 0
Charlton	1	Wrexham 0
Leicester	1	Blackburn 0
Norwich	2	Sheff. Wed. 1
Q.P. Rangers	1	Grimsby 1
Sheff. Wed.	1	Newcastle 0
Shrewsbury	0	Watford 1
Walsall	1	Lincoln 1
Division Three		
Brentford	2	Newport 0
Bristol City	0	Portsmouth 1
Bury	1	Millwall 1
Chesham	3	Huddersfield 1
Chesham	2	Plymouth Argyle 2
Exeter	1	Gillingham 1
Lincoln	1	Walsall 1

Standings

Division One										
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts			
Southampton	27	15	5	7	49	38	50			
Manchester United	25	13	7	5	38	19	46			
Swansea	26	14	4	8	38	34	46			
Ipswich	23	13	6	6	22	16	45			
Liverpool	22	14	2	6	43	32	44			
Manchester City	24	12	6	6	44	22	42			
Tottenham	26	12	6	8	40	30	42			
Brighton	22	12	4	6	37	22	40			
Nottingham	24	9	10	6	29	25	37			
Everton	25	10	7	8	27	30	37			
Nottingham	26	9	9	8	34	31	36			
Nottingham	22	9	5	11	39	39	32			
Stoke	26	9	5	12	30	34	32			
West Ham	24	7	10	7	41	35	32			
Aston Villa	26	7	9	10	28	33	30			
West Bromwich	21	7	7	7	26	33	28			
Birmingham	24	5	9	10	35	38	24			
Coventry	26	6	14	5	49	24	24			
Leeds	22	6	6	10	20	35	24			
Division Two										
Leeds	23	15	5	3	50	25	50			
Watford	25	13	7	5	47	27	46			
Oldham	28	12	10	6	38	28	46			
Blackburn	28	10	9	8	32	26	42			
Sheff. Wed.	26	12	6	8	35	35	42			

Nine teams enter cricket tourney

JEDDAH, Feb. 20 — Nine teams figure in the league-cum-knockout cricket tournament conducted under the patronship of Sheikh Zainal Abidin. The teams have been clubbed in two groups and the league phase of the tournament would commence from March 5.

The teams will be restricted to 40 overs per side with a bowler bowling a maximum of eight overs. A win results in four points and a tie fetches two. The two teams of the groups would meet in the knockout stage to decide the finalists.

The teams are Shalimar, Pak Jeddah, Sikander, JCC, Pak Saudi, Bank Al Jazira, 1395, Yellow Rose and Petrozin.

Uruguay stages rally

CALCUTTA, India Feb. 20 (AP) — South Korea and Uruguay drew 2-2 in their Jawahar Nehru Gold Cup International Soccer Tournament match here Saturday after the Koreans took a 2-0 lead by half-time.

Meanwhile, China trounced Yugoslavia 3-0, with three second-half goals Friday. It was Yugoslavia's second successive defeat. It lost its first match against Uruguay, while China recorded its first victory in the tournament after drawing the opening match with India. The Chinese dominated play in both the session but it could transform its ground superiority into terms of goals only in the second session. It got its first goal when stopper Lin Luo Feng scored in the 63rd minute and followed by two other by Zuo Shu Sheng in the 74th and 87th minutes after good combined moves. On the other hand the Yugoslavs showed the same lack of penetration

Marsh surges to three-stroke lead

MELBOURNE, Feb. 20 (AP) — West Australian Graham Marsh is not running away with the idea that he has the \$100,000 Australian Masters at Huntingdale all sewn up.

Marsh, winner of the recent South Australian Open, goes into Sunday's final round with a three stroke lead — the same position from which Victorian Bob Shearer crashed so heavily Saturday.

With a three round card of 214 — five under par — Marsh is in the unique position of leading into the final round of a major Australian tournament for the first time in his career.

"Three shots is not an enormous lead in a golf tournament," Marsh warned after weathering heavy rain and winds. "In a few minutes anything can change. So one can go out and hit a nice round of 67 and win the tournament. You have got to be open minded about it. Anyone can win this one even down as far as those who are square with the card," — he said.

Trailing Marsh is Tasmanian Stewart Ginn, two under the card on 217. Japan's Akira Yabe, Australians Rob McNaughton and Mike Ferguson are one stroke further back sharing third place.

Formula drivers suspension lifted

JOHANNESBURG, Feb. 20 (AFP) — An international appeals court at the Automobile Association (A.A.) of South Africa Saturday upheld the appeals of Grand Prix drivers against their suspension after racing at the South African Grand Prix at Kyalami on Jan. 23.

The court ruled that the stewards did not have the power to impose the suspension and that appeal fees lodged with the A.A. by the drivers be refunded.

Karpov, Palermo tie adjourned

MAR DEL PLATA, Argentina, Feb. 20 (AP) — Holland's Jan Timman widened his lead in the Magistral IV Chess Tournament here Friday by beating Hungary's Lajos Portisch in 35 moves in ninth round action.

Timman employed the Huhner variation of the Nimbo Indian Defense to defeat Portisch, who is second with six points but one suspended game in complete. Timman has seven and a half points and no suspended games.

In other action, World champion Anatoly Karpov of the Soviet Union suspended at an obvious disadvantage with Argentina's Carlos Garcia Palermo. Observers doubted Karpov would renew Saturday when suspended games are to be finished.

The world champion, who is in sixth place with three points, must also finish a game with Argentina's Miguel Najdorf on Saturday. Argentina's Fernando Braga defeated Denmark's Bent Larsen in 28 moves.

Najdorf and his countryman Sergio Giardelli drew, as did Argentines Miguel Quinteros and Oscar Pannun. Sweden's Ulf Andersson and Paraguay's Zenon Franco.

Ireland claims triple crown

DUBLIN, Feb. 20 (AFP) — Ireland beat Scotland 21-12 after taking a half-time lead of 15-6 in the five national Rugby Union Championships at Lansdown Road Saturday. The victory gave Ireland the triple crown for the first time since 1949.

Irish out-half Ollie Campbell scored all his team's 21 points, to the delight of the 52,000 crowd. Campbell, who played a key role in country's earlier victories over Wales and England, kicked four first-half penalties, in the fifth, 11th, 21st and 35th minutes, interspersed with a drop goal after 25 minutes.

After the interval he was on the mark again when he kicked successful penalties in the 50th and 68th minutes. Scottish stand-off Jim Rutherford tried to put the visitors in the game with a 17th minute try converted by full back Andy Irvine. However, their defense were given a harrowing time by the Irish attack and the day's strong wind. Only penalty kicks by Jim Regan in the 62nd and 75th minutes made the score respectable.

Meanwhile, in Paris England beat France 27-7 at the Parc Des Princes in the other contest of the day.

England revived the sagging season with its

The only others who would appear to be in the running are New Zealander Frank Nobilo and East German Bernhard Langer, both on par figures of 219.

It was a disaster day at Huntingdale Saturday and the biggest sufferer was hometown hope, Bob Shearer. Shearer started the day superbly placed with a card of six under par. Holding a three stroke lead over Yabe, Lyndsay Stephen (WA) Noel Ratcliffe (NSW) and Mike Ferguson (QLD). By the end of the day Shearer had dropped seven strokes and carded a mammoth 80 for a total of 220.

Shearer did not look for trouble but certainly found plenty from the very beginning of his round. He bogeyed the first and second and then turned in a triple bogey at the third in five strokes down. He made some recovery at the seventh with a birdie and eagled the 10th, but was in trouble again with a bogey at the 12th.

A double bogey at the 14th and bogeys at the 17th and 18th wiped him off the leaders' board and took him a long way from the \$18,000 winner's cheque which appeared to be in his grasp last night.

Shearer's double fadeout for the afternoon was not a lone effort as Stephen, Ratcliffe, Ferguson, American Mike Colandro, Victor-

ian Ron Wood, Japan's Tommy Nakajima and Queenslanders Glenn Vines and Graeme Norman all crashed out of the reckoning.

Nakahima probably robbed Japan of the chance of one its players taking out the prize with his round Saturday. He returned 75 — nine strokes worse than Friday's record equaling 66. The tournament's celebrity player, American veteran Arnold Palmer, is one of the picture with a total of 223 following Saturday's 74.

"I felt awfully good as if I might make move upward, but I just couldn't get there. Palmer said afterward. Britain's Tony Jacklin with a 76, returned his worst effort for the three days and is tied with Palmer on 223. West German Bernhard Langer recovered three shots at one stage from his one over card overnight, but then fell away with birdies at the last two holes to be level with par for the three rounds.

Meanwhile Taiwan's Hsu Shin-Chan scored his third straight sub-par round to pull away with a 211 five-stroke lead at the Philippine Open Golf Championship. Hsu, 40, who won the same tournament as an amateur in 1967, was followed by American Curt Byrum, 23, who scored an even-par 72 for a 216 total. Tied in third place on 220 were Hsu's compatriot Hsieh Min-Man and Filipino first-day leader Gil Ababa.

After skittling England

Sri Lanka strengthens position

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka, Feb. 20 (AP) — The inaugural England-Sri Lanka Test remains anybody's match at the end of the third day's play with Sri Lanka 147 runs ahead with seven wickets in hand. At the close the island was 152 for three wickets.

The home team did well Saturday to get England all out for 223, giving the visitors who continued batting this morning from 186 for five, a five run lead in the first innings. England who batted 70 minutes Saturday were able to add only 37 runs to its overnight score with right arm leg-spinner Somachandra de Silva doing the most damage getting three wickets.

The home team was lucky to get David Gower, who was unbeaten on 79, not having added 10 runs in his score. That breakthrough helped the team concede only a 5 run lead in the first innings.

Sri Lanka's performance was all the more creditable as the Englishmen looked set to proceed for a big first innings total. The turning point was the wicket of the stylish left-hander David Gower, who seemed en route to his century.

Gower fell in Somasundara de Silva's third over of the day when was caught by wicketkeeper Mahes Goonetilleke. The only batsman to offer resistance was keeper Bob Taylor who remained unbeaten on 31 and contributed most of England's runs in the 70 minutes that saw the visitors go all out. The tourists added just 37 runs, losing five wickets in the bargain, in that period.

Batting very cautiously, the home openers put on 20 runs in the 40 minutes of batting they had for before lunch. Soon after lunch Sidath Wettimuny was clean bowled by Willis. But a partnership of 83 between skipper Warnapura and Roy Dias help the home team end the day with what might prove to be a slight advantage.

Dias, who scored a fluent 77 in 161 minutes, was the most confident local batsman taking three successive fours of Botham before tea. Mendis and Madugalle put out time. The wicket which took some turn in the morning did not appear to hold any terrors for the home batsmen. Fletcher used Underwood extensively Saturday bringing him to the attack after the pacers had bowled five overs.

Score-board
Sri Lanka (1st innings):
England (1st innings):
G. Gooch b de Mel 22
C. Cook c Kaluperuma b de Mel 11
C. Tavaras b de Mel 0
D. Gower c Goonetilleke b D. de Silva 89
K. Fletcher c Kaluperuma b de Silva 45
B. Warnapura c Gooch b Embury 38
S. Wettimuny b Willis 9
R. Dias c Taylor b Underwood 77
D. Mendis batting 16
R. Madugalle batting 0
Extras: 12
Total: (for 3 wickets) 152
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-34, 2-113, 3-140.
BOWLING: Willis 9-3-24-1; Botham 12-1-37-0; Underwood 27-10-56-1; Embury 15-6-23-1.

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Against Clipper

Johnsons turn the tide for Kings

NEW YORK, Feb. 20 (AP) — The Kansas City Kings weren't in the best of shape when all they had was Johnson (Steve) and Johnson (Eddie). It turned out what they really needed was another Johnson.

Newly acquired Reggie Johnson came off the bench to score a career-high 27 points and pull down six rebounds as the Kings trounced the San Diego Clippers 113-97 Friday night and climbed out of the National Basketball Association's Midwest Division cellar. Johnson, acquired in a trade earlier this week with Cleveland, scored 12 points in the third quarter.

Reggie King added 15 points. Steve Johnson 14 — plus a game-high 10 rebounds — and Ernie Grunfeld 13 to help the Kings to their second straight victory. After trailing by as many as six points in the first quarter, the Kings outscored San Diego 19-4 in the first six minutes of the second period to open up a 44-30 lead.

"Reggie Johnson will be playing center as much as possible," said Kansas City coach Cotton Fitzsimmons. "Reggie does a great job and we're delighted to have him. He's a good shooter from the floor and the line. He also grabs a lot of rebounds and blocks shots. He's lively, he'll run the floor, he's our type of player."

Elsewhere, the Milwaukee Bucks whipped the Cleveland Cavaliers 106-88, the Philadelphia 76ers downed the Utah Jazz 132-117, the Houston Rockets cooled off the New Jersey Nets 103-96, the San Antonio Spurs shaded the Denver Nuggets 126-121, the Los Angeles Lakers swamped the Golden State Warriors 126-106, the Boston Celtics beat the Portland Trail Blazers 127-117, the Atlanta Hawks outlasted the Seattle SuperSonics

127-122 in four overtimes and the Phoenix Suns trimmed the New York Knicks 104-90. Bucks, 106, Cavaliers 88: Sidney Moncrief scored all of his 26 points in the first three periods, helping Milwaukee extend its winning streak to 11 games, highest of the NBA season. The Cavaliers have lost seven in a row. Brian Winters, who scored 10 of his 20 points in the final quarter, made three straight baskets early in the period as the Bucks pulled away from an 80-73 third-quarter lead. "The streak is giving us confidence and a psychological boost," said Milwaukee center Bob Lanier.

76ers 132, Jazz 117: Julius Erving scored 24 points and Maurice Cheeks added 19 as Philadelphia rolled to its eighth consecutive victory. Utah's Adrian Dantley scored 35 points and Darrell Griffith had 34, a season high, but the Sixers broke open a close contest by scoring 16 points in the first four minutes of the final period, while holding Utah to only a field goal by Griffith.

Rockets 103, Nets 96: Moses Malone scored 34 points, including three in a pivotal final-quarter spurt, helping Houston to its 10th victory in the last 11 games. The Nets led 87-81 with 7:36 left when the Rockets began a 14-2 burst.

Malone had plenty of help from Robert Reid, who held New Jersey's high-scoring Ray Williams to 13 points. "I can put myself on the back that I held down a premier shooting guard," Reid said. "In the first quarter, all I could see was Ray Williams' chest, face and the little curls on his head. I really wanted Ray Williams to work for his points."

Spurs 126, Nuggets 121: George Gervin followed up a 49-point effort in his previous

game with 38 more and Mike Mitchell added 27 as San Antonio held off a frantic Denver rally and posted its fourth straight victory. The Spurs had a 118-115 lead with five minutes left, but the Nuggets then went on a 12-1 tear and pulled away from 119-117.

Lakers 126, Warriors 106: Earvin "Magic" Johnson scored 26 points, Jamaal Wilkes added 24 and Bob McAdoo had 22 for Los Angeles, which put the game out of reach by scoring eight consecutive points late in the third quarter for a 73-56 advantage.

Celtics 127, Trail Blazers 117: Four Celtics scored more than 20 points each and Larry Bird hit key points in the closing minutes after 22 ties and 14 lead changes. Bird, in addition to his 25 points had 12 assists and three steals. Robert Parish scored 27 points to lead the Celtics, and had a game-high 18 rebounds. Cedric Maxwell added 23 points and Gerald Henderson had 22.

Hawks 127, SuperSonics 122: Eddie Johnson scored 34 points and John Drew added 31 as Atlanta snapped Seattle's 10-game home court winning streak and dropped the Sonics into second place in the Pacific Division, one game behind Los Angeles. Drew scored 18 of his points after regulation play before fouling out in the fourth overtime, playing most of the overtimes with a dislocated finger on his shooting hand.

Suns 104, Knicks 90: Len "Truck" Robinson scored 29 points and Dennis Johnson hit 20 of his 28 in the first-half as Phoenix posted only the second triumph in its last 10 road games and handed New York its fourth loss in a row. The Suns led 58-46 at half-time and built the margin to 70-52 with 7:24 left in the third quarter as Kyle Macy scored 10 of his 18 points in the period.



Dennis Lilie...lends support

Score-board

New Zealand:
1. Wright b Alderman b Thomson
2. Edgar b Alderman
3. Crowe c Laird b Alderman
4. Howarth b Alderman
5. Conner c Hughes b Lilie
6. Blair b Alderman
7. Smith b Border b Alderman
8. Hadlee c Hughes b Lilie
9. Cairns c Alderman b Pascoe
10. Snedden b Lilie
11. G. Thompson not out
12. G. Thompson not out
Total: 74

With 8-wkt. verdict over Kiwis Aussies bag one-day series

WELLINGTON, Feb. 20 (AP) — Australia wrapped up the One-day cricket series against New Zealand 2-1 here Saturday with a comprehensive eight-wicket victory in the third international at the Basin Reserve.

The combination of a seamers wicket and superb bowling performance by Terry Alderman and Dennis Lilie shot New Zealand out for 74 in just 29 overs and the rest was elementary for Australia.

Alderman, the man of the match, took five for 17 of his ten overs and took two catches, including a brilliant one-handed effort in the slips to dismiss opener John Wright off the first ball of the match. That setback put New Zealand in a defensive frame of mind from which they never recovered.

The wicket, which had been flooded 24 hours before the match, must have grieved Alderman and Lilie of their days in England last year when they combined to take 82 wickets in the Test series.

The only real resistance the New Zealand batsmen could offer came in a stand of 34 for the eighth-wicket between Richard Hadlee and Lance Cairns. Hadlee's 18 was his side's top score.

Australia was always going to get the runs despite the early loss of opener Rod Marsh, promoted to an unfamiliar role in an attempt to get the match over with as soon as possible.

The only other hiccup in Australia's progress came in the ninth over when Bruce Laird was lbw to Hadlee for ten. John Dyson (26 not out) and Chappell (24 not out) steered Australia to a comfortable win in the third and deciding match of the series soon after lunch.

New Zealand won the first match of the series but Australia came back to square the series 1-1 last Wednesday.

Mansoor slams unbeaten century

PERTH, Feb. 20 (AP) — A polished unbeaten century by Pakistani Mansoor Rana was the highlight of the inconsequential final day of the third Under-19 Test between Pakistan and Australia at the WACA ground Saturday.

The match fizzled out into a predictable draw to give Pakistan a one-nil victory in the three-Test series. Mansoor batted with great assurance and played several superb cover drives in scoring 124 not out in 231 minutes against a depleted Australian attack. Pakistan captain Salim Malik finally made a token declaration when his side was 308 for five.

This left Australia with the impossible target of scoring 364 runs for victory in an hour plus 20 overs and Pakistan with an equally impossible task of taking ten wickets on a lifeless pitch.

Pak 4 White hands CIB a drubbing

Saudia Blues beat off a strong challenge from last year's cup winners Dunes-1 to win by a satisfactory 14-6 margin and consolidate its position as likely 'B' league winners.

In the 'A' league British Steel's return to full strength saw it gain a 12-8 victory over Pak 4 Green, which slumped to its second defeat of the season. KAIA White won 13-7 over Irregulars, which was expected to do better, while Gray Mackenzie got the better of IAL 12-8 in a low-scoring match.

How they stand

"A" League						"B" League					
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Irreg	3	2	1	36	4	Dunes-1	3	2	1	41	4
Pak-4/G	4	2	2	42	4	Pak-4/W	4	2	2	47	4
British S	4	2	2	40	4	CIB	4	2	2	31	4
Gray-Mac	4	2	2	31	4	Mobil	3	1	2	29	2
Dunes-2	3	1	2	32	2	Sharbati	4	1	3	27	2
SEA-1	4	1	3	33	2	KAIA/G	4	1	3	27	2
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Mary Decker runs the fastest women's mile

SAN DIEGO, California Feb. 20 (AP) — Mary Decker Tabb ran the fastest women's mile (1.6 km) ever recorded indoors or outdoors, a time of 4 minutes, 20.5 seconds, in Friday night's San Diego Invitational Indoor Track Meet.

Decker Tabb's time shaved 1.2 seconds off her own previous world best clocking on the boards set last week. She also was faster than the outdoor world record of 4:20.89 set by the Soviet Union's Lyudmila Vesselskova in 1981.

Decker Tabb had run a 4:17.55 mile indoors two years ago, but it was not recognized because it was run on the Houston Astro-dome's oversized track. Never threatened, Decker Tabb had a 12-second margin of victory over runnerup Francie Larrieu Friday night.

Also in the meet at the San Diego Sports Arena, Willie Banks turned in the best triple jump ever indoors, but an apparent world standard by Evelyn Ashford in the women's 60-yard dash was wiped out by a timing malfunction.

Ashford seemed to shatter the world indoor mark in the women's dash with a clocking



John Walker...claims the mile of 6.48 seconds in a controversial race that saw half the field pull up early, apparently thinking it was a false start. Meet officials initially said the race would be rerun, but moments later announced the results as official. But, after an hour's delay, they changed their

minds and said the time was not official because of a "malfunction between the starter and the timer."

Banks, coming back from an injury that impeded his workouts, soared 57-1/4 to better the world best of 56-8/16 set by the Soviet Union's Gennadiy Valuykevich in 1979. Banks achieved the mark on the fourth of six jumps and did it without much competition.

John Walker of New Zealand won the men's mile in 3:52.8, the second best time indoors this year. Tom Byers was second at 3:53.6 and Ireland's Ray Flynn third at 3:54.1.

In the women's high jump, Debbie Brill, who last week lost her indoor world record when Colleen Reinstra went 6 feet, 6 3/4 inches (2.03 m), won for the fourth time this season, defeating Reinstra. Both cleared 6-2 3/4, but Brill was declared the winner based on fewer misses.

Larry Myricks, owner of the meet record in the long jump at 27-6, was an easy winner at 26-7 3/4. Ed Tave was second at 24-3, and Scott Countryman placed third at 22-9.

Billy Olson also shattered the old mark in the pole vault by clearing 18-9/16.

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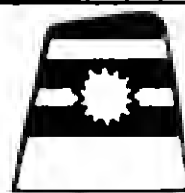
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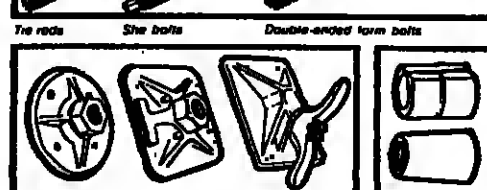
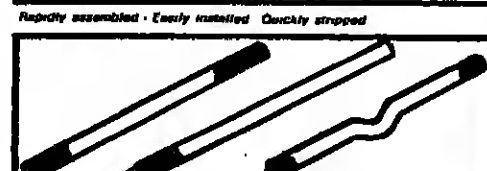
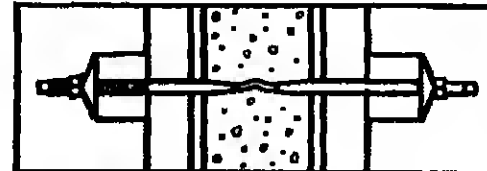
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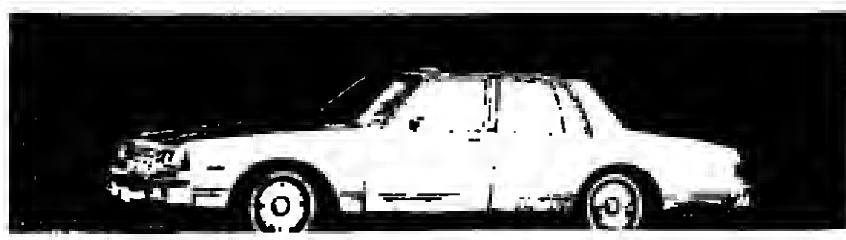
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U.S. representative assured

Nicaragua to block Cuban arms

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20 (Agencies) — Nicaragua is willing to back up American efforts to stop Cuban arms reaching guerrillas in El Salvador via Nicaragua if it can be clearly shown at what point the deliveries are getting through.

Democrat Representative Clarence Long of Maryland told a press conference here Friday that he had received this assurance directly from the coordinator of the governing Sandinista junta in Nicaragua, Daniel Ortega.

It now remained to "show the Nicaraguans where the arms are coming through so they can put a stop to it," he said.

Long, chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee for Foreign Operations, was just back from a nine-day Central American tour which included Nicaragua and El Salvador.

He said he had passed on the message at a subsequent meeting with Salvadoran President Jose Napoleon Duarte, who had welcomed the Nicaraguan position.

A staunch opponent of U.S. military support of the Duarte regime, Long said his visit had convinced him more than ever that "the United States should not get deeply involved in this new adventure requiring vast sums of money and a commitment of our prestige, when no one knows where it will end."

Secretary of State Alexander Haig had told a press conference in Bal Harbor, Florida, Friday of imminent measures to provide the 50 U.S. non-combatant military advisers in El Salvador with M-16 automatic rifles.

The advisers, who are officially not supposed to take any active part in military operations, had been restricted by law to carrying only handguns for their personal protection.

Meanwhile, three American congressmen said Friday night after visiting the site of an alleged army massacre in El Salvador that they were convinced the country's U.S.-backed government had covered up the truth.

The congressmen, all opponents of the Reagan administration's military aid to El Salvador, said the official version of the event did not fit the facts.

They were speaking at a press conference in San Salvador after a four-day unofficial visit to El Salvador, where leftists are fighting to overthrow the civilian-military government.

Democrats Thomas Harkin and John Oberstar and Republican James Coyne earlier went to San Antonio Abad, a slum suburb of San Salvador, where about 20 persons were killed at night three weeks ago.

The army version, given by an aide of Defense Minister Jose Guillermo Garcia, was that the victims were caught in crossfire during a battle with guerrillas. But relatives said soldiers had taken people from their homes and shot them through the head.

"What happened at San Antonio Abad was a massive cover-up by the military," Harkin said. "The (official) stories don't wash — the way the bodies were found, where the bullet holes were, the eyewitness accounts of people we just talked to in San Antonio Abad."

He said that soldiers "just went into the homes, they dragged out young people, some old people, and assassinated them in the streets." Coyne said: "We talked to a woman holding her infant child whose two other sons were dragged out. The army came into the house looking for them specifically by their nicknames."

Allegations by human rights organizations that El Salvador's armed forces committed atrocities have stiffened opposition in the United States to President Reagan's policy of support for the ruling junta. The White House plans to send aid worth \$185 million this financial year, including arms and equipment worth more than \$80 million.

But the three congressmen told the press conference, held in the American Embassy, that they would continue to try to stop the military assistance. Oberstar said he came to see whether the conditions set by Congress for providing military aid to El Salvador's government had been met.

"The conditions have not been met and indeed they've been violated ever since they were proclaimed to have been met," he said. The three congressmen said Gen. Garcia told them he wanted more equipment, including 180 helicopters, patrol boats, A-37 jets and C-123 cargo planes, to fight the battle against the guerrillas.

"He had a shopping list, but we didn't bring a check book," said Oberstar. The congressmen said the Defense Minister made clear, however, that the junta did not want any foreign troops sent to El Salvador or an increase in the number of U.S. military advisers already in the country.

Chinese reject Soviet talks call
PEKING, Feb. 20 (AP) — China said Saturday it sees "nothing new" in a recent call issued by Soviet Prime Minister Nicolai Tikhonov for better Sino-Soviet relations, and blamed the Soviets for their deterioration.

"We see nothing new in his remarks," a Foreign Ministry spokesman said, referring to Tikhonov's statement to a Japanese reporter Feb. 14. "Our position is known to all."

The Chinese statement said: "It has never been the Chinese responsibility that Sino-Soviet relations have developed into what they are now. I still can't discern any intention on the part of the Soviet Union to change its present policy."

The Soviet Union recently has been pressing for better relations, but China has rejected the overtures. Western diplomatic analysts here say the Soviet Union wants to improve relations with China to take pressure off its heavily fortified eastern flank — the Chinese border — while it attends to Poland and other problems.

They also said the Soviet Union hopes to take advantage of the current strain in Sino-American relations over U.S. weapons sales to Taipei. The Soviet Union has proposed resumption of border talks with China, but Peking authorities said the time is not opportune, although China does not oppose the talks in principle.

Cambodia leader visits Peking for summit talks

PEKING, Feb. 20 (Agencies) — Cambodia's Khmer Rouge leader Khieu Samphan arrived Saturday for talks with Cambodian Prince Norodom Sihanouk and former Prime Minister Son Sann on forming a coalition to fight the Vietnamese.

Khieu Samphan indicated, however, in an arrival statement at the airport, that the power of the Khmer Rouge and Democratic Kampuchea must not be diluted.

Arriving from Bangkok on a Chinese flight, Khieu Samphan was greeted by Chinese Foreign Minister Huang Hua and a representative of Sihanouk who now is headquartered in Peking.

The Khmer Rouge leader said he would meet Sihanouk and is expected to meet in Peking with Son Sann, who said earlier he would not meet the Khmer Rouge leader in Peking.

Both Sihanouk and Son Sann accepted a proposal by Singapore for a loose coalition of the three Cambodian factions, each retaining its independence and separate identity.

The Khmer Rouge rejected the proposal, saying it lacked a common program and saying it must exist within the existing framework of Democratic Kampuchea.

"Any coalition must in no way lead to weakening of the forces which are presently struggling," Khieu Samphan said in an airport statement. Democratic Kampuchea supports national union, he said, "provided the union contributes to increasing the combat forces against the Vietnamese invaders in all fields — military, political and diplomatic."

China provides major military assistance to the Khmer Rouge and regards its 30,000 soldiers as the major fighting force. China sympathized, therefore, with the Khmer Rouge rejection of the loose coalition.

China wants to see some kind of coalition, however, and on Thursday Vice Chairman Deng Xiaoping called on all three Cambodian factions to meet in Peking and form a union as soon as possible.

Western diplomatic analysts said a major question will be whether China can exert pressure on the Khmer Rouge to modify its position so that some success can be claimed for the Peking summit.

If some coalition is formed, more aid is expected to be forthcoming. The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) also hopes for a coalition.

Carlos backs democracy
MADRID, Feb. 20 (R) — King Juan Carlos Saturday strongly backed Spanish democracy as his position during last year's attempted military coup was called into question at the court martial of officers implicated in the putsch.

The king's statement coincided with the second day of the trial of 32 officers and one civilian charged with military rebellion for their alleged part in an attack on the Spanish Parliament last Feb. 23. Several of the most senior officers on trial have alleged in written testimony that they acted because they believed the orders came from the king.

In a speech at the Spanish Military Academy at Saragossa Saturday, King Juan Carlos said: "We were not mistaken when we chose liberty and justice as aims to build a pluralistic society and a single Spain."

"We were not mistaken when we decided to follow with the fullest collective responsibility the same path as the free nations of the West." The king called on the military "to reflect on the inescapable necessity to respect and defend the laws, to comply with them inexorably so that justice shines through and order and peace is maintained." He did not refer directly to the Madrid trial.

Much of Saturday morning's court martial hearing was devoted to the reading of evidence given by Lt. Col. Antonio Tejero Molina, the civil guard officer who led the assault on Parliament.

Some 280 rebel civil guards held the entire government and more than 300 legislators hostage for 18 hours in what was alleged to have been an attempt to topple Spain's young democracy. In the testimony, read by a clerk of the court, Col. Tejero repeated allegations made Friday about the position of the king and Queen Sofia.

Col. Tejero alleged that in a conversation during the Parliament siege with Maj. Gen. Alfonso Armada Comyn, the king's former tutor, Gen. Armada said the head of state had ordered him (Armada) to head a new government. Gen. Armada, one of three generals charged in connection with the attempted coup, Friday denied in written evidence any part in the plot, any plan to form a government or any contact with the king.

Col. Tejero also alleged in evidence that during a meeting with Lt. Gen. Jaime Milans Bosch and other charged officers on Jan. 18 last year, Gen. Milans had quoted the queen as having told Gen. Armada: "Alfonso, you are the only one who can save us."

The Feb. 23 attempt occurred during a period of Basque separatist violence and a government crisis which followed the sudden resignation of Prime Minister Adolfo Suarez.

Good Morning

By Jihad Al-Khazem

A story dedicated to some Arab psychologists who shall remain anonymous.

There was this chap who called in on a psychologist for help. He had a most peculiar complaint. "Elephants, doctor," he said. "Can't abide the blighters. Don't sleep nights thinking of nasty things to do to them. No more than they deserve, too, the ugly, useless brutes."

The psychologist belonged to a most peculiar school of his profession. "In such cases," he says to his patient, "direct action is the answer." You take yourself to Africa, suitably armed and guided, and shoot an elephant. That way, he concluded, "you work the thing out of your system. Your bill is \$10,000. Please make sure to pay before you go."

Soon the chap was in Kenya, accompanied by a friend who had come in for the ride. They went into the bush and walked for days on end until they found an elephant, and the chap took up position and was about to fire when his friend started talking.

"Easy does it, old boy," he said. "Hold your fire until a head shot is offered. Between the eyes and nowhere else, that's the only way..."

"I would suggest," he added, "that you wait until he clears those trees first. Also, study the direction and strength of the wind and take them into account as you aim."

"Should you miss, run toward the river, and wait for a second chance there. If you don't kill it outright, don't go in after it. Wait until it is suitably exhausted then go and finish it off..."

"And don't forget to keep the sun in your back as you aim, and estimate the dead ground or you'll get the range wrong..."

At which point the chap turns to the friend and lets him have it with both barrels.

At the murder trial, the doctor is brought in as witness. Before he goes on the stand he asks his erstwhile patient, "Why did you do it? Why shoot the man and not the elephant?" "I forgot to tell you at the time, doctor, but there's something I hate even more than elephants. It's the know-it-all. Why the nights and days I spent dreaming of what I would do to one of these..."

So, know-it-alls, offerers of free advice to us, on how to conduct our business, on how to set this story and spike that one. On how this country or that should be run. On how this or that team should be composed. All of you, beware! We don't like elephants. But...

Translated from Ashraf Al-Awsat

Soares gets Soviet apology

LISBON, Feb. 20 (R) — The Soviet ambassador to Portugal has formally apologized to Socialist leader Mario Soares over a statement by his embassy calling Soares a lunatic in need of prolonged psychiatric treatment.

Government sources said that in a letter, ambassador Arnold Kalinin had said that a statement by his embassy's press section contained a badly expressed sentence that was tendentiously interpreted by sections of the Portuguese media. The row began after a newspaper interview in which Soares accused the Soviet Union of planning to destabilize the Iberian peninsula.

The embassy issued a strongly worded statement. It later retracted the statement, saying there had been a mistake in the translation from the Russian. The embassy said the statement should have read: "These

kinds of lies can only come from persons with a sick imagination and (these lies) need prolonged analysis and adequate treatment."

The Socialist Party urged the government to expel the highest-ranking Soviet diplomat and Kalinin was later called to the Foreign Ministry and asked to make a formal apology.

Kalinin said he hoped what he called the unfortunate incident would not "divert us from the essential — the need to work in today's conditions ever harder to promote friendship and understanding between the peoples of the Soviet Union and Portugal."

Relations between Portugal and the Soviet Union were already strained by the expulsion of two Soviet diplomats last month as a sign of Portugal's displeasure over events in Poland.

Insults shouted at Mugabe Nkomo supporters parade

SALISBURY, Zimbabwe, Feb. 20 (AP) — Some 200 ZAPU supporters, shouting slogans in support of ousted — junior coalition government partner Joshua Nkomo, ran through the streets of downtown Salisbury Saturday in the first ZAPU demonstration since their leader's dismissal from the crumbling coalition government Wednesday.

The demonstrators, who sang tribal songs and shouted insults at Prime Minister Robert Mugabe for firing Nkomo and three other ZAPU ministers, jogged through busy Saturday morning traffic past startled shoppers.

Police stood by without intervening until one officer asked the demonstrators to disperse. The marchers immediately broke up peacefully.

Public demonstrations are illegal in Zimbabwe unless authority is sought seven days in advance from the minister of home affairs. Police stood idly by Thursday when some 5,000 supporters of Mugabe's Zimbabwe African National Union (Patriotic Front) marched in to central Salisbury to show support for the ouster of the ZAPU ministry.

Nkomo and his colleagues were fired for being linked to an alleged plot to overthrow the 22-month government, Mugabe said Wednesday.

Nkomo has denied the charge, claiming instead Mugabe got rid of them to pave the way for his avowed aim of declaring a one-party state.

Three ZAPU ministers, including two junior ministers, remain in the 25-member cabinet after a fourth minister, Clement Muzochi, quit the crumbling coalition Friday in support of Nkomo. One of the junior ministers, Cephas Msipa, has stated he will remain in the cabinet.

Nkomo told reporters he expected all his ministers would resign and support him in forming an opposition to Mugabe in the National Assembly where ZANU (PF) has

57 seats and ZAPU 20. The other seats are shared by two former prime ministers — Bishop Abel Muzorewa with three and the last white leader of what was previously called the British colony of Rhodesia with 20.

Nkomo, speaking to a hastily-called news conference Saturday at his home in Bulawayo, said, "I am back to where I was 22 months ago (at the time of independence). I am not now struggling to build Zimbabwe to make sure that it does not disintegrate."

Nkomo also confirmed reports that he had been barred from leaving Salisbury Thursday night by air for Bulawayo, administrative capital of the Matabeleland province of western Zimbabwe where he draws most political support from the minority Matabele tribe.

Nkomo said he was prevented from boarding the Air Zimbabwe Viscount by a white security officer who said he was acting on orders. Nkomo said he returned to his modest hunkalow in the black township of Highfield, outside Salisbury, and then drove to Bulawayo late Friday.

A security source, who would not be named in compliance with government regulations, said the officer had misunderstood instructions from superiors that Nkomo be prevented from making any attempt to leave the country, but not the capital.

Kim 'elevates' son
TOKYO, Feb. 20 (AP) — North Korean President Kim Il Sung's son, Kim Jong Il, may have been elevated to the post of vice president following the possible resignation of Vice President Pak Sung Chul, Kyodo news service reported Saturday.

The speculation arose when North Korea's official Pyongyang radio, in a report monitored in Tokyo, said Pak, believed to be 69 or 70 years old, had become a Politburo member.

out from time to time to ensure that laws are respected, he said, adding that these were "disciplinary" and "administrative" rather than political measures. This was the first such operation since the imposition of martial law on Dec. 13, the spokesman said.

Police detained 3,500 persons and issued formal warnings to a further 29,000 during the operation, according to a Warsaw radio broadcast Wednesday. The operation, believed to have been carried out last weekend, was "misunderstood" by the Western press, the spokesman said.

Solidarity leader Lech Walesa was meanwhile quoted in the official Polish press Saturday for the first time since his union was suspended more than two months ago. The Communist Party daily *Trybuna Ludu* reported a declaration by Walesa in which he denied that he had issued any signed statements.

Walesa's declaration was conveyed to Western reporters Tuesday by his chaplain but was mentioned in the official media only Saturday. "I herewith declare that I issued no leaflets between Dec. 13 and Feb. 16. All the texts that have appeared with my signature were forged," *Trybuna Ludu* quoted Walesa as writing in his declaration.

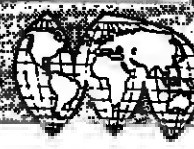
Poland to debate state tribunal bill

WARSAW, Feb. 20 (Agencies) — The Polish parliament will meet on Feb. 26 and 27 to debate a bill on setting up a special "state tribunal" announced last month by Premier Wojciech Jaruzelski, the Polish news agency PAP reported here Saturday. The court, which will try politicians accused of abusing their authority, can only be created after a constitutional amendment which requires a two-thirds majority in parliament.

Radio Warsaw said that "a report by the commission for matters of workers' self-government in enterprises" was also on the parliament's agenda. Reports by commissions dealing with the economic plan, mandates and regulations and legislative work on government bills would also be discussed, the radio said.

Next week's parliament session means that the much-awaited seventh meeting of the Polish Communist Party central committee will probably be held in March, observers here said.

Meanwhile, a government spokesman Saturday described the two-day nationwide police sweep in Poland last week in which 3,500 persons were reportedly detained as a routine police operation. Such operations are carried



GLOBAL WEATHER

	Min		Max			Min		Max		
	C	F	C	F		C	F	C	F	
Amsterdam	-2	28	5	41	clear	Manila	21	70	32	90
Athens	6	43	11	52	Cloudy	Mexico City	9	48	24	75
Bahrain	11	53	17	63	clear	Miami	20	68	25	78
Bangkok	26	79	33	91	clear	Montreal	-5	23	0	32
Beirut	7	45	17	63	clear	Moscow	-7	19	-5	23
Berlin	-5	23	0	32	clear	New Delhi	11	51	26	79
Brussels	2	28	5	41	clear	New York	0	32	2	35
Buenos Aires	18	64	27	80	cloudy	Nicosia	2	36	15	59
Cairo	8	46	22	72	clear	Oslo	-10	14	-3	27
Caracas	19	66	30	86	clear	Paris	1	34	6	43
Chicago	0	32	2	36	cloudy	Rio de Janeiro	21	70	38	100
Copenhagen	-5	23	0	32	clear	Rome	7	45	14	57
Dublin	4	39	10	50	cloudy	San Francisco	11	52	19	66
Frankfurt	2	28	1	34	cloudy	Seoul	4	39	7	45
Geneva	2	36	5	41	rain	Singapore	24	75	33	91
Helsinki	-8	18	-1	30	clear	Stockholm	-1	30	-11	12
Hong Kong	18	64	24	75	clear	Sydney	14	57	25	77
Jakarta	23	73	30	86	clear	Taipei	14	57	25	77
Kuala Lumpur	22	72	32	90	cloudy	Tokyo	6	43	13	55
London	0	32	3	37	cloudy	Toronto	-1	30	2	36
Los Angeles	13	55	30	85	clear	Vancouver	5	41	8	46
Madrid	5	41	13	55	clear	Vienna	-1	31	2	35

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